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FRENCH MEDIATION.

Important Correspondence Sent to the United States Senate.

Dispatches from M. Drouyn de Lhuys, Secretary Seward, and Minister Dayton.

The Prospects of Reconciliation Between the North and South Urged.

THE PROPOSITION REJECTED

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 12.

The President, to-day, sent to the Senate the following dispatches:

To the President of the United States:

The Secretary of State, to whom was referred the resolution of the Senate, of the 10th inst., requesting the President, if not in his judgment incompatible with the public interests, to lay before the Senate any correspondence which has taken place between this Government and the Government of France on the subject of mediation, or other measures looking to the termination of the existing civil war, has the honor to lay before the President a copy of the correspondence called for by the said resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. SEWARD.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Feb. 12, 1863.

MR. DAYTON TO MR. SEWARD.

(Extract.)

PARIS, Nov. 18, 1862.

SIR: Herewith I inclose to you the copy of a communication just made to DROUYN DE LHUYS.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM L. DAYTON.

MR. DAYTON TO M. DROUYN DE LHUYS.

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MONSIEUR LE MINISTRE: In a recent conversation had with your Excellency, you asked some questions in relation to the population of the Southern States of the United States, and the position of the several divisions of our army. The conversation in question was in connection with a statement in your dispatch of the 20th of October to His Majesty's Ambassadors at London and at St. Petersburgh, officially published, induced me to make to you this communication.

Although that dispatch was not addressed to me, or to my Government, yet it so intimately concerned the letter that I am sure I shall be excused if I refer to it in connection with the subject matter of your conversation. I do this, not with a view to any criticism, or the expression of any opinions beyond those already given by me, but to correct, so much of it as I can, what seems to me a misapprehension of facts. I do this in the hope that, should the question present itself for consideration in future, your Excellency may be induced to reiterate your opinions as to the disposition of the parties concerned in the fighting in the United States. Your Excellency says there has existed between the belligerents, from the commencement of the war, an equality of strength which has been almost constantly maintained ever since. Once or twice, much blockaded, they are now in this respect very nearly in the same position as at first. Nothing justifies the expectation of any more decided advantage on the one side or the other in early days. In reply to your questions in our conference of the 11th inst., I endeavored, with the aid of a map, to point out the districts of country occupied at present by the several divisions of our army. If your Excellency can, from memory, recall these questions, and compare them with the condition of things at the very outset of the war, or even as it has been within the past year, you will, I feel assured, I am sure, for a moment doubt as to the accuracy of opinion expressed in the above extract. A little more than a year ago, the whole of the Slave States south of Pennsylvania, and almost to the Mississippi, thirteen in all, were in possession of the insurgents. Except only a small locality in Virginia, opposite to Washington, a tract of country in the middle State, west of the Alleghany Mountains, in which there was a mixed population, the northern parts of Kentucky and perhaps half of Missouri, with these exceptions they held undisputed sway over the entire country of the South. They held, at the same time, the Military Arsenal at Harpers Ferry, and the vast Naval Arsenals and Dockyards at Norfolk and Pensacola. They had, likewise, possession of the Eastern shore of the Chesapeake Bay, which, in connection with the command of the Potomac, gave them control over the approach by water to Washington. The capital of the nation.

They have lost during the year the eastern shore of the Chesapeake and the command of the Potomac; the City of Norfolk with its arsenals and dock-yards, and the neighboring country, and the dock-yards at Pensacola. They have lost all Virginia west of the Alleghanies, Kentucky and Missouri, and part of Tennessee, comprising, among other points, Nashville, the Capital, and Memphis, in commercial port on the Mississippi. They have lost every port, house, and fortification on the Atlantic coast, with the single exception at Charleston since evacuated, from the mouth of the Chesapeake to the southern point of Florida, and places around the Gulf coast to Pensacola. But more important even than this, they have within the year lost New-Orleans, the great commercial metropolis of the South, with the numerous fortifications established for its defense. They have likewise lost the Mississippi, with every island and river fortification, save that of Vicksburgh, by which it was defended. They have lost every inland valley of the West and rule in each of the Slave States from Cairo to the Gulf, just as which could foot the armies of the world, which can neither be forded nor bridged, also divides separate the free Slave States and their contiguous territories on its West side from those on the East. The loss of the river was more injurious to the cause of the insurrection than the loss of many battles. Operations that would otherwise, but a year ago, have been impossible, are now easy. Yet, with the sole exception of Vicksburgh, Pittsburgh alone excepted, it has within the year been lost to the South. The Tennessee and Cumberland, great interior rivers of the West, with their defenses and fortifications, have likewise been taken, after a hard struggle, by the armies of the Union. In a word, the insurgents do not now hold a foot of ground which they did not hold a year ago, except within the bounds of the Union, and in the Slave States south of Pennsylvania and Mason and Dixon's line, and on our gunboats, and in the ports, harbors and rivers of the South. It cannot but be in the future a most efficient basis of attack or defense. There are two other elements of strength, which specially require consideration, men and money. The armies of the South have been large beyond example as compared with the extent of population from which they have drawn. To enlist them in their present standard the Conscription law of the South has embraced all from the age of 18 to 45 years. Their armies, like our own, waste away by the casualties of war, and there can be little force to recruit to supply the drain. An examination of the preliminary report of the census of 1860, of which I have had the pleasure to transmit you a copy, will show on page 121 that the body of the population, upon which the South must draw for the supply of this drain, is less even than I suggested in our recent conversation. The aggregate free population of all the Slave States, including Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, Kentucky and Missouri, is only 8,036,703; but from this must be deducted the population of those Slave States in the possession of the United States, where no conscription law of the South could practically be enforced, and likewise the free blacks of the South, to whom hands they dare not place arms. The free population of those States shown by the census of 1860, is as follows: Delaware 110,418; Maryland, 599,860; Kentucky, 930,201; Missouri, 1,057,501; Kanawha or Western Virginia with Jefferson, Accomac and Northampton Counties, estimated at 270,774; free blacks of the South to be deducted, say, making an aggregate of 4,000,000 of the Slave States from the 8,036,703, leaves the population of Slave Lineage, women and children. The general conclusion of Slave figures can really be traced by reference to pages 121 and 208, 207, 208 and 209 of the Census report before referred to.

It is true that to some slight extent troops may voluntarily go into the Southern army from portions of country not in their possession; but there would probably be at least balanced by those withdrawn from service along the coast, in the towns, and those of the South subject to our control, and in which no allowance is made in the above calculation.

I need not recapitulate the population of the free States and of the Border States in our possession. The aggregate, by a reference to the same census report, will be seen to be within a fraction of an equal (illegible). During the last Summer, in addition to the army then in the field, they raised a million of men, and organized them in the field, they raised a million of men, and organized them in the field, they raised a million of men, and organized them

anticipations and our warnings, there remains nothing for us to do but to present ourselves to the people of the South to buy the cotton which they only consent to deliver into our hands, and with the certitude that it will not fall into those of the Federals. To present ourselves with money and cannon; the money to pay, and the cannon to force our way, if any one should pretend to bar the passage—that is the solution."

Lately the surveillance over the Press has become more severe than for a long time; the liberal Press are informed daily what they may not say, and we may therefore take it for granted that the Bonapartist Press are informed what they may say. Now, although the chief editor of the *Nation* lost a considerable fortune in human chattels by the revolution in St Domingo, and may therefore be supposed to carry some personal feelings into the discussion of the negro question, it is impossible, under the circumstances, to blame the Press at this moment, to exonerate the Government from the responsibility of the arguments which are daily put forth in the *Nation* and other Governmental papers against the United States. Such in fact has been their success in the shaping of public opinion, that if the Emperor should decide to ask to-morrow of the Chambers an appropriation for the employment of an armed force to open the blockaded ports, it would be voted by an immense majority, and what is worse, the country would not murmur. We believe that such a war would be so long, so costly, and so exhausting to the resources of the empire, that factions would be enabled to raise their heads, and combine for the overthrow of the Bonaparte dynasty. But that is not the question which now occupies our attention. Is the French Government serious in this attempt at preparing public opinion in France for a forcible rupture of the blockade? The best reply I can give to this is the following: We know that the Government journals have orders to try to depreciate every thing connected with the American Republic, on the abstract principle that whatever diminishes the glory of the model republic strengthens the empire in France, and lends stability to the Bonaparte dynasty. We know that the Government is trying to throw the whole blame of the present suffering of the working classes on the American war and the obstinacy of the American Government, and also that the Government is anxious to be able to show to the sufferers that it has left no effort untried to bring about a cessation of the war. But behind all this there seems to be an undercurrent of hostility which is not warranted either by the circumstances or the necessities of the case, and which, to say the least of it, proves a most reprehensible want of good faith on the part of the French Government toward that of the United States. In the eyes of many people, this fact is an indication that the French Government is in earnest in preparing the minds of the people for an intervention, and that, if all its propositions for obtaining cotton in a peaceable manner should fail, it will then adopt M. GRAVIER DE CASSAGNAC's proposition, and pass the blockade sword in hand.

The *Moniteur* of this morning, in explaining the fact of the employment of Egyptian negroes for the garrison at Vera Cruz, says that the plan was "adopted as a measure of humanity, which is not amenable to the least criticism." But the same paper, and all the Government papers, criticized the American Government when its Generals proposed to garrison the Southern forts with men not subject to the same yellow fever.

MELAKOFF.

AFFAIRS IN ENGLAND.

A British Minister with Northern Sympathies—Northern Meeting at Exeter Hall—Strange Illusions—Motives to Intervene—Gen. A Theory of American Finance—A French Mediation in a New Form—Gen. Seymour's Message—The French in Mexico.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Jan. 24, 1863.

Parliament meets in a fortnight. Mr. DISRAELI has issued cards for the great Conservative dinner, which precedes the opening, and at which the business of the session will be settled. The political position is unchanged. The Conservatives are actually stronger in votes, but it still rests with Earl DERBY to take the Premiership, or have his work done for him by Lord PALMERSTON. As to the latter, he is ready to do whatever is required of him. With a leader ambitious of office, the Conservatives won't lose any time in overthrowing the present Cabinet. But there is a hitch among the leaders. DISRAELI is not trusted. He was a radical, he is a plebian, and it is feared that he may at any time revert to his ancient political faith. But he is far the ablest man in the party, and cannot be dispensed with. The Conservative Press seems sanguine in its hopes for a change, but it all rests with one man. DERBY is master of the situation, and he may prefer to keep PALMERSTON in power.

Mr. MILNER GIBSON, a member of the Cabinet, has pronounced in favor of the North, and against recognition. I believe that he is the only one who has done so. RUSSELL and GLADSTONE, though they have taken no action, have given the whole weight of their influence against the Union. I cannot remember that PALMERSTON has declared himself very distinctly, but there can be no doubt that he is ready to do whatever Parliament or the country may require of him. The question will probably be brought forward at once, and be violently debated. BRIGHT and COBDEN will represent the Northern and Abolition sentiment. Their following makes up in earnestness for what it lacks in numbers, and may be able to hold the balance of power.

Next week, a few days before the meeting of Parliament, an Emancipation meeting is to be held at Exeter Hall, to give expression to English sympathy with the Proclamation. But it is remarkable that in the list of speakers there is not one great and influential name. Rev. BAPTIST NOEL, who heads the list, was formerly a Church of England clergyman, who became a Baptist, his name being a singular coincidence with his present creed. He is, undoubtedly, a man of ability, but hardly of influence beyond his sect. Mr. HUGHES, author of *School Days at Rugby*, is a clever writer, and has a certain literary popularity. Mr. LUCZOW, who is, like Mr. HUGHES, a contributor to *MacMillan's Magazine*, is the next celebrity. He has written with some vigor in support of the National cause. There is one or two M. P.'s on the list, whose names are quite unknown to me. However, I shall attend the meeting, and give you an account of it in my next.

But the feeling of England on the Slavery question has undergone a mighty revolution. People say everywhere "Oh, we detest Slavery, of course, but—" and there is a world of meaning in that never-failing "but." The truth is, the English people have been committed to Abolition, but they are heartily tired of it. They paid $100,000,000 to free their slaves in the West Indies, and now consider it so much money thrown away to build up America and impoverish and cripple themselves. With Slavery they could have raised their own cotton, which they cannot do without it.

And then, jealousy and hatred of the National Government has made the English sympathize with the South; sympathy with the South makes them tolerant of Slavery. As to the Proclamation, it is generally denounced; but Englishmen with whom I have talked, whatever their sympathies, say they are glad it was issued, because it was the last card that could be played—the last gun fired. Disunion, they believe, can do no more—his arming of a million of men have not been able to take Richmond, and now, if the negroes fail him, the war must end.

There have been strange illusions on both sides. The North believed the South would not fight, would be conquered in "ninety days." The South believed that Cotton was King, and that England and France must intervene to save themselves from ruin. England believed the North would be overwhelmed by a financial crisis, or civil convulsions; that slavery would be restored, and, ultimately, that the war be ended by a counter-revolution. All have been wrong. The South will fight, and can resist for years. They are in no danger of starvation, and the results of the Proclamation are yet to be realized. The North is still abundant in resources, and can issue paper for all demands for an unlimited period. True, it is at a large discount, but this enables everybody to pay their debts. Money, such as it is, is plentiful and business prospers. As to England and France, they are suffering, but they have borne it so far, and may go on bearing it. There is cotton enough, such as it is, for half the mills or to supply them all at half time; but the relative prices of cotton and goods will not allow of its being worked at a profit.

The past week has been one of vicious waiting for news. We are prepared to hear, any day, that Vicksburgh, Mobile, Charleston or Savannah is taken, and that negro insurrections have broken out, but the English will not see that naval successes can end the war, or that the introduction of the negro element can have any effect but to give it greater ferocity. It is in this prospect of Dahomey massacres that will go far to induce European interference. JEFF. DAVIS proclamations are denounced in some papers and justified in others, but the world cannot look on the horrors that are threatened with indifference. I must say, however, that there are very few in England who would not rejoice to hear that BUTLER, MCNEIL and TURCHIN were hanged on the first tree that could be found after their capture. Nothing has more astonished people here, than that these men are sustained by the American Government. It appears, however, that though Gen. BUTLER has been applauded at the North, and has received no censure from the Government, his acts have been to some extent repudiated, the confiscations stopped, and great numbers of his prisoners set at liberty.

The accounts which reach us from the Confederate camp of the battle of Fredericksburgh represent the result as more fatal to the Northern troops than the dispatches of Gen. BURNSIDE would indicate. I cannot help believing that a General had best give the truth and the whole truth in his dispatches. Whatever may have been the custom of other Commanders, though to "lie like a bulletin" may have passed into a proverb, the respect of the world, at this day, will be given to the General who gives a true report of his defeats and his victories. I fear that the lack of such truthfulness has done something to injure the National cause in this country. It is certain that, for some reason, Southern dispatches are generally believed, and Northern ones uniformly distrusted.

A writer in the *Times* has given a theory of American finance, which you may not have noticed, but which may, perhaps, interest you. He says Mr. CHASE's financial policy has been the wisest, the best, and really the only one that could have been pursued. Congress would not tax the people; taxes could not have been collected. But the means were necessary to carry on the war. The only way was to tax the people indirectly—to make them pay without knowing it. This was done by the issue of incontrovertible paper, and the discount on this, and the loss to every holder by its gradual depreciation was the amount of his tax. At the end of the war the Government can redeem the paper at its thenactual value in the hands of the holders, and the whole expense of the war will have been paid, with no debt remaining, and the whole widely, if not equally distributed. This will not be repudiation, but an indirect mode of taxation. I send you the idea, which you can take for what it is worth. It may comfort you when gold rises above 150, as every rise of the precious metal will mark the amount to which your taxes are being paid.

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The *George Griswold*, a ship of some 1,300 tons burden, will doubtless arrive at Liverpool from New-York in the course of the coming week. She will bring a large cargo of flour, corn, rice, pork, beef and other provisions—the free gift of American citizens for the relief of our suffering operatives. The ship, the ship herself, happens to be generously given for the purpose of conveying the cargo across the kind and charitable a freight from the Atlantic.

The Cotton Famine in France.

The *Moniteur* contains a report to the Emperor, signed by M. ROUHER, the Minister of Agriculture, Commerce and Public Works, and M. DE PERSIGNY, the Minister of the Interior, recommending that in each of their Departments a credit of 2,000,000 francs shall be opened for carrying out local and other public works, with the view of relieving the distress of the cotton famine. The report says:

"We have no hesitation at this moment in limiting to this sum the total of the great necessary aid for the operatives deprived of their ordinary employment. A twofold principle, which so many interests are involved we certainly ought not to decide ourselves as to the extent of the evil, or the suffering it occasions; but it is also the duty of the Government to ascertain the exact state of things, to look upon the facts as they really are, to dissipate exaggerated fears, and to decide on the most efficacious measures of intervention. The evil now by local, and while all have been strong. The South will fight, and can resist for years. They are in no danger of starvation, and the results of the Proclamation are yet to be realized. The North is still abundant in resources, and can issue paper for all demands for an unlimited period. True, it is at a large discount, but this enables everybody to pay their debts. Money, such as it is, is plentiful and business prospers. As to England and France, they are suffering, but they have borne it so far, and may go on bearing it. There is cotton enough, such as it is, for half the mills or to supply them all at half time; but the relative prices of cotton and goods will not allow of its being worked at a profit.

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THE McDOWELL COURT OF INQUIRY.

Defence of Gen. McDowell.

A General Review of the Testimony.

The Disagreement with Gen. Sigel.

Maj. Gen. McDOWELL presented his defence to the Court of Inquiry on Tuesday last. It is a formidable document, which, if printed in full, would occupy nearly three pages of the TIMES. Gen. McDowell says, in opening his defence:

The unusual position I have occupied, seeking an investigation of so general a character as the one just concluded, while there were no charges against me, seems to require a few words of explanation, lest I shall be thought either to have unwarrantably taxed the public service with the time and cost of this Court, or to have sought an inquiry into my conduct and character in a spirit of vain self-confidence and conceit.

It may not, therefore, be out of place in me to state that, at the end of the campaign in September last, the country against me was so great that my usefulness as a public officer was thought to be so impaired, as to cause it to be intimated to me, from high authority, that my friends could continue to support and defend me better if I were to have this investigation, than they otherwise would be able to do. So I applied for it, though neither the War Department, the General-in-Chief, nor the General Commanding the Army of Virginia, had said anything to make it necessary, or had received charges of any kind against me. The only one I could hear of was from an officer who was then dead, and his general charge of treason had, therefore, to be made the basis of my application. Subsequently, when the charges and allegations, was made in the general terms adopted.

In taking this course, I was far from supposing I could submit to such an inquiry as I asked into my whole conduct, without something, I had done, or omitted to do, being discovered which I could not now, but with bad faith, otherwise. But if, on the one hand, errors of judgment should appear, on the other, I felt confident, proofs of fidelity would not; and that it would be made clear that nothing had occurred to interrupt the power and influence, charged drunkenness, disloyalty and treason. And furthermore, that many intelligent people who did not credit the malevolent things said of me, but who had prejudices and unfavorable opinions, based on the little only that seemed to get abroad, might, by a full exposition, be disabused, and be led to believe I had been unjustly condemned in many matters wherein I was generally, if not universally, held to be accountable.

THE SEPARATION FROM McCLELLAN'S ARMY.

First, Gen. McDOWELL considers the charge made against him, that he was prominent in securing the separation of his corps from Gen. McCLELLAN's army when it went to the Peninsula. On this point, after quoting from the testimony submitted to the Court, he says:

As to the causes which led the Executive to order my corps to be left in front of Washington, and as to my having procured its being so left, I think there can be no reasonable doubt in any one's mind, after the statements of Gen. McCLELLAN himself, Gen. WADSWORTH and Gen. HITCHCOCK. The latter was, at the time, on duty in the War Department, and in close relations with the Secretary of War and the President. Gen. WADSWORTH was Military Governor of the District, and Gen. McCLELLAN the person said to have been the most injured.

They are, therefore, those whose evidence should have the most influence. They are, moreover, uncontradicted, and agree in freeing me from having had any part in the act.

Gen. McCLELLAN states, (in his evidence of Dec. 16,) that he had told Gen. McDOWELL respecting his intention, for the failure to join me."

I further state that he received a letter from Gen. FRANKLIN, who was then still with his division, as part of Gen. McDOWELL's corps, to the effect that Gen. FRANKLIN was in doubt as to the propriety of his leaving Washington, and that he had consulted Gen. McCLELLAN, who had advised him to do so. Gen. FRANKLIN, at the time he was under orders to leave me to join Gen. McCLELLAN, and had charged him to acquaint Gen. McCLELLAN with the reasons—which were purely of a military character—they had caused my being kept in front of Washington.

Again, after quoting from Gen. HITCHCOCK's testimony, he says:

The General then states the circumstances under which the order had been given, and says that he (Gen. HITCHCOCK) had concurred in it, and that he knew no further doubt in the matter, and shows the act of the President to have been prompted by considerations of public character, based on the representations of others than myself.

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The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS.

By Alderman Lange—

Petition of property owners on Avenue B and One Hundred and Sixteenth-street, to grade the same.

Which was referred to Committee on Roads.

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MESSAGE FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

The Private Secretary of His Honor the Mayor was then announced by the Sergeant-at-Arms, and presented the following message from His Honor the Mayor, returning without approval, resolution that permission be given to Lawrence Fitzgerald to erect a stand at Franklin Market, on the South-street side:

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GENTLEMEN: I have read with pleasure the lengthened resolution that permission be given to Lawrence Fitzgerald to erect a stand at Franklin Market, on the South-street side.

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Which was received, ordered to be laid on the table, ordered at length on the minutes, and published in all the papers employed by the Corporation, and in the *Herald and Times*.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Hardy—

Resolved, That Messrs. Statesbury & Brother be and they are hereby permitted to use the sidewalk in front of their premises, numbers three hundred and sixty-four and three hundred and sixty-six Eighth-avenue, to receive and deliver goods.

Which was adopted.

By Alderman Farley—

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Which was laid over.

By Alderman Long—

Resolved, That One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street, between the Third-avenue and Harlem River, be regulated and graded under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads.

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Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to John Kinsley two thousand one hundred and eighty-six dollars and forty-seven cents, being the balance due him, with interest, in contract for laying Second-avenue, from Sixty-first-street to One Hundred and Twenty-third-street.

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Which was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

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Which was adopted.

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Which was adopted.

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Which was adopted.

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Whereas, The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund did lease, on the tenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, a water grant to Robert A. Durfee, for a term of land (now under water, fronting on West and Bank streets, and extending to the Hudson River; and

Whereas, The City of New-York was owners in fee of said land, and

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LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE—The Fair One with Golden Locks.

WALLACK'S—Secrets Worth Knowing.

BUTON'S GARDEN—Leah, the Forsaken.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM—The Phantom—The Day After the Wedding—Afternoon and Evening.

GERMAN OPERA-HOUSE, No. 428 Broadway—Masks and Lorgnettes.

IRVING HALL—Concerts and Recitations.

NEW HALL OF ART, No. 632 Broadway—Bayard's Panorama of the Mississippi and the War.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE REBELLION.

The steam transport *Arago*, Capt. GARDNER, arrived at this port yesterday morning, from Port Royal on Monday evening last, with mails, passengers and Government stores. The Monitor battery *Weehawken* arrived out on the 5th. Our Port Royal correspondent gives an interesting account of a reconnoissance of the defences at the mouth of the Ogeechee River, made on the Wednesday preceding the sailing of the *Arago*, by Gens. FOSTER and HUNTER, accompanied by their respective Staffs, with a view of determining what land cooperation might be necessary to assist the naval attack on Fort McAllister. The Monitor *Passaic*, accompanied by two gunboats, was lying in Warsaw Sound, cleared for action, in expectation of a visit from the rebel ram *Fingal*, said to be coaled, fully manitioned, and ready to come out at any moment. The *Montauk*, with other gunboats, was lying in proximity to the Ogeechee batteries, waiting the moment for another attack. The rebel story that the *Montauk* was disabled in her last encounter with Fort McAllister is wholly untrue. The only injury she suffered was in her smoke-stack. Gens. HUNTER and FOSTER, on their return to Hilton Head, had a protracted conference with Admiral DUPONT, the result of which is, of course, unknown to us. An important order had been issued by Gen. HUNTER suspending the sale of confiscated lands for taxes.

A Hamburg vessel, which arrived at this port yesterday from Cardiff, reports that she was boarded on the 2d inst., in latitude 26° 20', longitude 67° 40', by a steam man-of-war, answering to the description of the *Alabama*. A vessel arrived at Baltimore yesterday, which brings a report, obtained from a ship on the 3d inst., in latitude 33° 01', longitude 72° 45', that the *Alabama* had been captured. Both of these reports are hardly be true.

Letters from Baton Rouge, dated Jan. 28, state that it has just been discovered that the rebels in that vicinity have made a standing offer to our troops to receive and parole as prisoners of war, any who will desert.

Gov. CURTIN yesterday sent a message to the Pennsylvania Legislature, in condemnation of the system of arbitrary arrests. He contends that Congress alone has the power to suspend the writ of habeas corpus, and recommends the passage of resolutions requesting Congress to take such action as may bring the guilty to punishment and relieve the innocent. He thinks these arrests were necessary at the commencement of the rebellion, but not now.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday, the credentials of Hon. WM. SPRAGUE, elected Senator from Rhode Island, were presented. The resolutions of the Pennsylvania Legislature, in favor of the repeal of the duty on paper, were presented. A petition was presented from citizens of Suffolk, in this State, asking that the Constitution be altered so as to recognize our dependence on the great Ruler of the Universe, whose name is not mentioned in it. A bill to provide for an Assistant Collector of Customs, to reside in Jersey City, was passed. At the expiration of the morning hour, the Currency bill was taken up and passed, 23 to 21. The bill to aid Missouri in emancipation was then taken up, and after considerable debate, the substitute reported by the Judiciary Committee was adopted, and the bill finally passed, 23 to 18. A message was received from the President, transmitting a report from the Secretary of State, with the correspondence and papers concerning mediation or arbitration on the part of the French Government. We give in this morning's TIMES the essential portions of this correspondence. A resolution was adopted requesting the President to communicate to the Senate any information he may have relative to the use of negroes by the French army in Mexico.

In the House, the bill reported from the Committee on Territories, to provide a temporary Government for the Territory of Montana, contiguous to Oregon and Washington, was passed. The Senate's amendments to the bill for the relief of citizens of Minnesota were concurred in. The resolutions of the Assembly of New-York, recommending a reduction of the paper duties, were presented. The Senate's amendments to the House bill to indemnify the President for arrests, &c., were considered, but the subject was finally postponed until Tuesday, a disposition to filibuster being manifested by the Democrats. The Naval Appropriation bill was considered in Committee of the Whole, but no further amendments were made. The Fortification bill was then considered until the adjournment.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate, yesterday, a number of petitions in favor of the use of dummy engines on the Harlem Central Railroad were presented. The bill to authorize the payment of the interest on Canal drafts, protested for non-payment, was reported favorably; also, the bill to appropriate the proceeds of the State tax for the support of the Common Schools. The latter was ordered to the first Committee of the Whole. The General Revenue bill was considered during the remainder of the day session.

In the Assembly notice was given of a bill to provide horse railroads in New-York so as to protect the interests of citizens and tax-payers, and a bill was introduced to subject to proper police regulations all cars on City railroads. The bill for the removal of obstructions in the Hudson River was introduced. A bill authorizing Commissioner VANDERBILT to extend the pier on the south side of Pier No. 1 North River, was introduced; also, a bill to make the pay of members of the Common Council three thousand dollars per annum. The concurrent resolution allowing the Senate to adjourn from the 19th to the 26th inst., was agreed to. The resolutions complimentary to Gen. McCLELLAN, and inviting him to visit the State Capitol, then taken up and [illegible] which always has Military Committee to report whether bill can be constitutionally passed imposing a tax on freighters who neglect to become citizens. Both Houses held evening sessions.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Board of Aldermen met at 1 o'clock P. M. yesterday. A resolution was adopted to authorize the Comptroller to compel the rebuilding of the abandoned ferry from Peck-slip, New-York, to Grand-street, Williamsburgh, according to the term of the franchise for the ferry sold in 1859 for a period of ten years, and also to be informed by what authority the Peck-slip dock is used by the New-Haven Steamboat Company. A report from the Committee appointed to proceed to Virginia and obtain the remains of Adjutant LAYE, of the Fifty-second Regiment New-York Volunteers, who fell at Fredericksburgh, will be found entire in the official proceedings. It appears by this report that, at Washington, the Committee were unable to obtain permission from headquarters to go to Falmouth, although private individuals were daily going thither, on private business, upon passes procured from subordinate officials. After receiving the promise of the Secretary of War that he would telegraph them when they could have the desired passes, the Committee returned to New-York. A resolution was adopted directing the Committee to go after the body when notified by the Secretary of War that it is practicable for them to procure it. The resolution to celebrate WASHINGTON'S birthday was concurred in, and the blank appropriation for the purpose was filled with the sum of $5,000. An ordinance was passed to employ an agent in the Public Administrator's office, at a salary of $2,000, to administrate upon the estates of soldiers from this City who die intestate, either here or elsewhere. The Board adjourned to next Monday, at 1 o'clock P. M.

The trial of DENNIS F. SULLIVAN for the murder of THOMAS BYRNES, was continued in the Over and Terminer yesterday. Ex-Recorder SMITH summed up the case for the prisoner, occupying a little more than four hours. At the close of his argument the Court adjourned to 10 o'clock this morning, when District-Attorney HALL will make the closing argument for the people, and Judge LEONARD will charge the jury.

In the Court of Sessions yesterday, before Recorder HOFFMAN, the trial of ADOLPH BLANK for stealing $1,200 from his employer, ALBERT DUBO, was concluded by a verdict of guilty. The prisoner was remanded for sentence on Saturday. THOS. WARD and JAMES WYCOFF, each pleaded guilty to an attempt at grand larceny, and were remanded. MARGARET SCHMIDT pleaded guilty to petit larceny. ELIZA ANN TALLMAN pleaded guilty to an attempt to steal $60 from a returned soldier, named THEODORE BEAUCOTT, and was remanded for sentence.

An action is pending in the Supreme Court, and now on trial at the Fifth-avenue Hotel, before Hon. HENRY HOGEBOOM, as referee, brought by the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company against the Pennsylvania Coal Company, to recover a large amount of tolls claimed to be due to the plaintiffs under an agreement with the defendants for enlarging the plaintiffs' canal for joint use—which in the aggregate involves upwards of a $1,000,000. The evidence in the case was taken before a referee, and in documentary form amounts to some 135,000 folios, and in opening the argument one of the counsel spoke *eighteen days*. The argument is still in progress, counsel on each side being limited to the short space of *twenty-four* days. Some of the most distinguished lawyers in this City and State are retained in the case.

The price of Gold fell off 1⅛ ⅌ cent. yesterday, closing 154¼; Exchange, 160½. Stocks closed dull; Erie, 73¾ ⅌ cent.

Breadstuffs and Provisions were in more demand yesterday; prices of Flour, Wheat, Corn, and Hog products were firmer. Whisky was much brisker, but decidedly cheaper. The movements in Groceries, Metals, Fruit, Hemp and Naval Stores were quite limited. A fair inquiry prevailed for Hay, Hides, Hops, Leather, Tallow and Tobacco. Freights were quiet.

The Western Copperheads—Duty of Loyal Men.

The loyal members of the Illinois Legislature have threatened to withdraw, and leave the two Houses without the constitutional two-thirds quorum, in order to prevent the passage of the Armistice and Convention resolutions of the Copperhead majority. This expedient has been, in time past, more than once resorted to by the Democratic party of Indiana, in order to prevent the election of a political opponent to the United States Senate. But these are wretched precedents, established by reckless men; and we are happy to learn that, though sorely tried, the loyal men of the Western Legislatures have concluded to take advantage of no such example, and stand to their positions. Let the event be what it may, it is of the first importance that the regular constitutional Government should be, in all respects, strictly maintained by every friend of the war, for that alone is the principle on which the war rightly rests.

It is, no doubt, true that those Legislatures are not the genuine exponents of the popular will, in respect to this great question of peace. They were elected mainly on other issues—particularly the matter of arbitrary arrests, to which even the staunchest supporters of the war may be opposed, and the manner in which the war has been prosecuted, which, in fact, has been unsatisfactory to nearly everybody. These armistice measures have been sprung upon the people since, and are solely the work of political intriguers, who have been covertly false from the outset. It is hoped that, by force of party cohesion, they can be carried through the Legislatures, whether acceptable to the people or not. The attempt may succeed in the Legislatures both of Illinois and Indiana. If so, a great public scandal undoubtedly will have been committed; but its practical consequences, if let alone, cannot possibly be so dangerous as would be the adoption of any disorganizing means to prevent it.

The independent State action contemplated in these Copperhead movements, cannot at most involve more than three or four of the loyal States. It would be impossible to force armistice resolutions through any other Northern Legislatures, as now constituted, than those of Indiana, Illinois, and possibly New-Jersey; and equally impossible to procure from any others any semblance of an authorization for a Convention of States. Aside from the lasting stain brought upon the State escutcheons, there would, we believe, be little practical mischief. Legislative resolutions for an armistice can have no effect upon the action of the National Government. A Convention of the three or four States which alone could be induced to send authorized delegates, would prove but another Hartford Convention in unpopularity and impotence.

The Democratic party at large, whatever may be its disposition in particular States, is not so infatuated as to lead itself to any such opposition to the war as these Copperheads project. Its leaders are ready enough to make the most of the minor issues against the Administration, but, we may rely upon it, they will beware of taking direct issue on the cardinal point of war or peace. They understand that the sense of the country is against them, and that it would bury their party beyond all resurrection.

When old Robinson said:

> "Stand!
> Of command to a quaver! look, boys, to
> Bear it that the opposer may beware of thee!"

it was his Saxon blood that spoke. It has always been characteristic of this race, that when once engaged in a war it fights with ever increasing determination. There is not a case in either English or American history in which an anti-war party has prevailed, *after the war had been once commenced*. Parties have successfully prevented war in advance, and derived additional credit from it; but never has one interfered to arrest a war which the Government was actually carrying on, without being overborne and crushed. This has been so, irrespectively of the original merits of the war or its practical management. It was the fact that Lord NORTH was at war that, more than anything else, kept him in the Premiership through the whole period of our Revolution, in spite of all his lack of practical wisdom. It was the force of this war spirit, when once aroused, which sustained PITT and his Tory successors in their twenty years' contest with France, notwithstanding the most stupendous blunders, and which prostrated the English Whig party so that it never recovered until, long after the restoration of peace, it was able to take advantage of the Reform agitations of 1830. It was the same force that made the late Crimean war, in spite of all its mismanagement, so much more popular in England in its second year than it was in its first. France found difficulty in dragging England into that war, but found more difficulty in dragging her out of it. So, too, in our last war with England. The Federal party that opposed the war constantly grew weaker under it, and at its close perished forever. The war with Mexico, after it once began, became daily more popular; and the Whig party, which originally opposed it, saved itself from annihilation only by withdrawing all practical opposition to it, and afterward adopting as their Presidential candidate the General who, more than any other, with a single exception, was identified with it.

Now, ascribe this peculiarity of the race to pride, or passion, or principle, or what you please—it matters not. The fact remains that a war once undertaken by Anglo-Saxon arms has to be thoroughly fought through, whatever its vicissitudes; and that the political party which attempts to put itself in the way is invariably crushed. It has proved so in wars which were originally wrong and needless. With a double certainty, it will prove so in a war, like the present, imposed by every obligation and necessity which can apply to man as a social being.

These anti-war plotters give us no concern. They may mislead the people up to a certain limit by false professions, but their influence ceases the moment it is once clearly understood what their real objects are. They can neither take this Northern people to the foot of JEFF. DAVIS, nor put them, in open day, on any road that leads in that direction. There is no strength or art in party leadership that can effect it. They who attempt it will accomplish nothing but their own ruin.

Let the popular heart be firmly trusted. Though it may at times seem to sink, we may depend upon it that it will carry this war through. It will show itself abundantly able to foil all the obstructive and subversive devices of the enemies of the war, whenever the day of necessity actually comes; and this, too, without any resort to other than regular constitutional remedies. Every public representative of the Union feeling should be thoroughly pervaded with this faith, and never permit his zeal to betray him into any act of a disorganizing tendency, however revolutionary may be the schemes of the enemies of the war. Sympathy with rebellion can fitly be lawless; but true loyalty must needs hold fast to principle.

The French Proposal.

We publish this morning the diplomatic correspondence sent to the Senate yesterday by the President, in response to the resolution adopted a day or two ago, calling for any correspondence between our Government and that of France on the subject of mediation. It embraces sundry letters that passed between Mr. DAYTON, M. DROUYN DE LHUYS and Mr. SEWARD during the last four months. All the documents are of great interest, and some of them of the highest importance. In all his suggestions or offers of mediation, the French Minister expresses the greatest regard for the honor and independence of the American Government; and in the various replies to these suggestions and offers, Mr. SEWARD is firm and decided in expressing the refusal of this Government to entertain any proposition in regard to the conduct of our domestic affairs from any foreign quarter whatsoever.

The two letters, however, which will attract universal attention and consideration are the one from M. DROUYN DE LHUYS, dated on the 9th of last month, in which he proposes a meeting of Commissioners from North and South as neutral ground, and Mr. SEWARD's reply to this proposition, dated on the 6th inst. It is true, nobody can have avoided observing the denial transmitted through the Associated Press yesterday, that any such proposition as this of the French Minister had ever been made to our Government. But it is impossible that the publication of the telegram should have been officially authorized, when, on the very day of its publication, the document containing the proposition was to be sent to the Senate. To understand distinctly what the latest Imperial idea in regard to the mode of settling our difficulties really is, it may be worth while to excise from the letter of M. DROUYN DE LHUYS the sentences in which it is given:

> "If the Cabinet of Washington," says he, "believes that it ought to reject any foreign intervention, could it not honorably accept the idea of direct informal conferences with the authority which may represent the States of the South? * * * The opening of informal conferences between the belligerent parties does not necessarily imply the immediate cessation of hostilities. * * * Representatives or Commissaries, [illegible] Government, [illegible] Powers, [illegible] Government, [illegible] Powers, [illegible] Government, [illegible] Powers

[illegible] was held, yesterday, in this city. To-day, a delegation from them, consisting of Messrs. Raymond, Anderson, Harper, Osborn, Wilson and others, representing various parts of the country, had a conference with Mr. Chairman of Ways and Means, and presented their reasons why the duty on paper should be reduced. It was stated before the Committee that it would cost sixteen cents per pound to import paper with the duty all off. At the present duty of thirty-five per cent., and with exchange at sixty per cent., not one pound could be imported. Consequently no revenue could be obtained from this source until the duty was reduced. There is no duty on imported paper.

THE REBEL REPORTS FROM TEXAS.

No apprehensions whatever are entertained here as to the safety of the Brooklyn. Rear-Admiral Farragut, in a letter to the Secretary of the Navy, lays great stress upon the want of naval officers. During the war of 1812, he frequently heard some of the most intelligent British officers say, that our great success in the encounters between the smaller vessels, was owing to the great number of officers we had in our vessels, and the small number they had in theirs. They seldom had more than three or four, and when those were killed or wounded the men had no one to lead them. This was the case recently in the affair of the *Harriet Lane*. It is stated that she was surrendered by a Master's Mate; and perhaps, the Admiral adds, "the same was the case in regard to the *Hatteras*." He urgently shows the importance of providing trained naval officers, and in this has the hearty cooperation of the Secretary of the Navy.

THE PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 12.

The Vice-President laid before the Senate the credentials of Hon. WILLIAM SPRAGUE, elected United States Senator from the State of Rhode Island for six years from the 4th of March next.

Mr. WILSON, of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) presented the joint resolutions of the Legislature of Pennsylvania, requesting the Senators of that State to vote for the repeal of duty on printing paper.

Mr. GRIMES, of Iowa, (Rep.,) presented the petition of wounded soldiers, asking for an ambulance corps.

Mr. FESSENDEN, of Maine, (Rep.,) also presented a petition for an ambulance corps.

Mr. HICKS, of Maryland, (Union,) presented the petition of the citizens of Suffolk, New-York, asking that the Constitution be altered, so as to recognize our dependence on the great Ruler of the Universe, whose name is not mentioned in that instrument; also, asking that every state paper and law shall have the words, "God prosper and protect the Republic," attached to it.

Mr. HARRIS, of New-York, (Rep.,) presented the petition of HORACE H. DAY, asking to be authorized to construct a ship-canal around the Falls of Niagara.

Mr. SUMNER, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) presented the petition of Jacob BALDWIN, of Pennsylvania, stating that disloyal newspapers are circulated in the army, and asking Congress to enact a law to prohibit the circulation of such papers.

Mr. THE EVIL, of New Jersey, (Rep.,) from the Committee on Commerce, reported a bill to provide for an Assistant Collector of Customs to reside in Jersey City. Passed.

Mr. HARRIS, from the the Judiciary Committee, reported back the bill to reorganize the Courts of the District of Columbia, with a substitute.

Mr. KING, of New-York, (Rep.) called up the bill to increase the number of Major and Brigadier-Generals.

Mr. FESSENDEN moved to amend so as to limit the increase to twenty Major and fifty Brigadier-Generals. He thought there was no necessity for so large an increase. The trouble has been that any one could get a recommendation for office. He thought if there were fewer officers there would be fewer leaves of absence to come to Washington to seek for promotion. The old road to military honor—service in the field—seemed to be abandoned, and a new road found through papers signed by those who knew nothing of military matters.

The morning hour expired, and the Chinese bill was taken up and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Anthony, Arnold, Chandler, Clark, Doolittle, Fessenden, Foster, Harding, Harlan, Harris, Howard, Howe, Lane of Kansas, Morrill, Pomeroy, Sherman, Sumner, Ten Eyck, Wade, Wilkinson, Wilmot, Wilson of Massachusetts—22.

NAYS—Messrs. Carlile, Collamer, Cowan, Davis, Dixon, Foot, Grimes, Henderson, Hicks, Kennedy, King, Latham, McDougall, Powell, Rice, Richardson, Saulsbury, Trumbull, Turpie, Wall, Wilson of Missouri—21.

The bill to aid the State of Missouri in emancipation was then taken up.

Mr. SAULSBURY, of Delaware, (Dem.,) proceeded to address the Senate in opposition to it. He thought that this was not the proper time for such measures, but the difficulties of the country seem to have been taken advantage of to secure emancipation. He contended at some length that there was no authority in the Constitution for appropriation of money for such purposes. It was a proposal to surrender their rights to the General Government, and thus destroy our present form of Government and make a centralized despotism. He believed the whole conduct of this war to have been most unwise and unconstitutional. Confiscation bills, arbitrary arrests and emancipation schemes had broken up the unity of the people, who before were united for the Union and the Constitution, and had raised much heat and discussion in many States.

Mr. SUMNER, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) moved to amend so as to reduce the amount paid for each slave emancipated from three hundred dollars to two hundred dollars. He said that he (Sumner) was troubled to think the Senate was considering the value of a human being.

The amendment of Mr. SUMNER was then adopted by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Carlile, Clarke, Collamer, Fessenden, Grimes, Harlan, Howe, King, Lane of Indiana, Lane of Kansas, Pomeroy, Rice, Sherman, Sumner, Trumbull, Wade, Wilkinson, Wilmot, Wilson of Massachusetts—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Anthony, Arnold, Chandler, Clark, Davis, Dixon, Doolittle, Foster, Harris, Henderson, Hicks, Howard, Howe, King, Latham, McDougall, Morrill, Nesmith, Powell, Rice, Richardson, Sherman, Ten Eyck, Trumbull, Wilkinson, Wilmot, Wilson of Missouri—21.

Mr. SUMNER proceeded to address the Senate. He was willing to give money for immediate emancipation, but not one cent for delayed emancipation. This measure could be defended on no other ground than as a war measure; and as a war measure, it should be prompt. It was proper that emancipation should commence in Missouri, where, by the resistance of Congress, it was allowed to enter, the people forgetting that there was any compromise to be made with God. Whatever was given for immediate emancipation stayed the arm of rebellion. Whatever was given to prospective emancipation, was a gratuity and tribute to Slavery.

The substitute reported by the Judiciary Committee was then adopted—Yeas, 27; Nays, 16.

The bill was then passed by a vote of 23 Yeas against 10 Nays, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Anthony, Arnold, Chandler, Clark, Collamer, Doolittle, Fessenden, Foster, Harlan, Harris, Henderson, Howard, Howe, Lane of Kansas, Morrill, Pomeroy, Sherman, Sumner, Trumbull, Wade, Wilkinson, Wilmot, Wilson of Massachusetts—23.

NAYS—Messrs. Carlile, Cowan, Davis, Fessenden, Grimes, King, Kennedy, Lane of Indiana, Latham, McDougall, Nesmith, Powell, Richardson, Saulsbury, Ten Eyck, Turpie, Wall, Wilson of Missouri—12.

ABSENT—Messrs. Bayard, Dixon, Hale, (sick,) Rice, Sherman, Willey, Hicks.

Mr. HICKS stated that he had paired off with Mr. WILLEY. He would have voted in the affirmative.

Mr. RICHARDSON, of Illinois, (Dem.,) stated that if Mr. RICE had been present, he would have voted against the bill.

Mr. FESSENDEN called up the bill to prevent and punish fraud against the revenue.

A message was received from the President, in response to a resolution of the Senate, transmitting a report from the Secretary of State, with the correspondence and papers concerning mediation or arbitration on the part of the French Government. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. MOREILL, of Maine, (Rep.,) offered a resolution requesting the President to communicate to the Senate any information he may have relative to the act of congress by the Sonorian army in Mexico. Adopted.

At 4½ o'clock, the Senate took a recess until 6½.

EVENING SESSION.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the bill to prevent and punish frauds on the revenue. Several amendments were adopted, and the bill was passed.

Mr. SHERMAN, of Wisconsin, (Rep.,) called up the bill to fix the time of holding Courts in Wisconsin and Iowa, which was passed.

Mr. LANE, of Kansas, (Rep.,) introduced a bill for the admission of Nevada, Nebraska, and Colorado as new States; also a bill to provide a temporary Government for the Territory of Montana. Referred to the Committee on Territories.

Mr. WILSON (Massachusetts,) called up the bill to increase the number of Major and Brigadier-Generals, the question being on the amendment to limit the increase to twenty Major-Generals and fifty Brigadier-Generals.

Mr. CARLILE, of Virginia, (Union,) thought there was no occasion for any increase in Generals. There were many Generals doing nothing, and a great many regiments were thinned out so that it did not need so many Generals. He moved to lay the bill on the table.

Mr. WILSON, (Massachusetts,) stated that there were not Generals enough [illegible] to properly officer the Army of the Potomac.

Mr. WALL, of New-Jersey, (Dem.,) asked how many Generals there were out of service and drawing pay.

Mr. WILSON said there were five Major-Generals—McClellan, Frémont, Sigel, Banks and Butler. There were twenty-seven confirmed and forty-eight sent for confirmation. There were some Brigadiers out of service but not a great many.

The discussion was continued by Messrs. GRIMES, RICHARDSON and WILSON.

The motion to lay on the table was withdrawn, and Mr. FESSENDEN's amendment, limiting the increase to twenty Major and fifty Brigadier-Generals, was adopted. Yeas, 24; Nays, 12.

Mr. RICHARDSON thought it would be necessary to create a system of brevet promotion for gallant service in the field, thus driving these officers in the field to seek for rank and bounce there.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, said it had been a serious question whether they had power to give brevet rank to officers of volunteers.

Mr. CARLILE wanted to know if it could not be done under the war power.

Mr. WILSON said that power was pretty extensive, but it was doubtful if the President could confer brevet rank on officers appointed by the Governors of States.

Mr. RICHARDSON said it was only giving honor to them for gallant conduct in the field, and he saw no reason why Congress could not do it.

Mr. COWAN, of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) said the President could appoint a Lieutenant appointed by the Governor, as a Brigadier, if he chose.

Mr. FESSENDEN offered an amendment that beyond the number authorized by this act, and laws therein referred to, no General shall be appointed in any branch of the public service. Adopted.

The bill passed—Yeas, 22; Nays, 14.

Executive session. Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 12.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the bill reported from the Committee on Territories, to provide for the temporary government of the Territory of Montana, contiguous to the State of Oregon and Territory of Washington.

Mr. COX, of Ohio, (Dem.,) moved to strike out the following proviso:

That, whereas, Slavery is prohibited in said Territory by the act of Congress of June 19, 1862, nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize or permit its existence therein.

Disagreed to; yeas 49, nays 96.

The bill passed; yeas 89, nays 40.

The House concurred in the Senate's amendments to the bill for the relief of the citizens of Minnesota, sufferers by the Indians.

Mr. FRANK, of New-York, (Rep.,) presented the resolutions of the Assembly of New-York, recommending the reduction of the duties on imported printing paper; and the resolutions of the same body in favor of a general bankrupt law.

The House took up the Senate's amendments to the House bill to indemnify the President for arrests made under the suspension of the habeas corpus.

A discussion was manifested to take a vote on the amendment without debate, when Mr. VALLANDIGHAM, of Indiana, (Dem.,) moved to adjourn. Negatived by a yea and nay vote.

Mr. VALLANDIGHAM, of Ohio, (Dem.,) moved a call of the House.

Mr. VOORHEES said if the consideration of the subject be postponed until Tuesday, as suggested by Mr. VALLANDIGHAM, for the purpose of allowing reasonable debate, all this trouble would cease.

In this there was a general concurrence.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the Naval Appropriation bill.

No further amendments were made. The bill was laid aside to be reported to the House.

The Fortification bill was taken up.

Mr. COX, of Ohio, (Dem.,) wanted to know why $600,000 were appropriated for the State of Maine and none for the State of New-York.

Mr. DIXON, of New-York, (Rep.,) said the House recently defeated the measure for the latter, by which gunboats might pass from the Mississippi to the Northern lakes. Naval armament, and not forts, were proposed for its protection.

Mr. FESS, of Maine, (Rep.,) said if Mr. COX had his head against the softest part of New England, it would do his head more harm than the spot with which it came in contact.

Mr. SAWYER, of Maine, (Rep.,) said New England could take care of herself, either in or out of the Union. If it was the object of Mr. COX and his friends to leave New England out in the cold, they should leave her some means of defence.

Mr. ARNOLD, of Illinois, (Rep.,) briefly adverted to gunboats as the most suitable means of defence for the lakes.

An amendment was made for $200,000 for the fortifications of Washington.

The Committee rose and the House passed the Fortification bill.

Adjourned.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

A Working Day in the House—Extravagance in "Red Books"—The Canal Repair Contracts—More Horse Railroads in New-York—Improving the Navigation of the Hudson—The Defence of New-York Harbor—Compensation to the Common Council—Passage of the McClellan Resolutions, &c.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Thursday, Feb. 12, 1863.

This has been a working day in the House, the General Orders having been gone through and some dozen bills of a local character considered, and most of them passed.

Twenty Red Books, for each and every member, reporter and officer of the House, is, in language more expressive than elegant, cutting it very fat. This is unprecedented, and I cannot think that the House had a clear sense of what it was voting. If it did, and if this is the pitching of the tune to be sung to the end of the session, then the taxpayers will have a doleful chorus to sing. It was a shocking piece of jobbery, which found a parallel in the subsequent proposition to cover, cut, &c., the documents of the House. In regard to the public printing, the Comptroller calls attention to the fact, that while the extreme sum in the contract is $50,000, the cost may, with economy, be kept comfortably under that sum. It would seem that this part of the report has either not been generally read, or a disposition exists not to heed its suggestions.

Mr. ROBINSON, of Cayuga, gave notice, this morning, of a bill entitled "An act limiting work on canal repair contracts," which, if passed, will effect a radical change in the contract system. At present, all work on the canal repairs is done by the section and for a gross sum; and under this system, the contractors are interested in getting through their contract with as little work as possible—to the great detriment of the canals. The principles involved in Mr. ROBINSON's bill are indorsed by Ex-State Engineer VAN R. RICHMOND and State Engineer TAYLOR, in their annual reports.

MORE HORSE RAILROADS.

Mr. GOVES gives notice for one in Grand-street, and Mr. LOUGHRAN another, under the comprehensive title "of a horse railroad in New-York City, whereby the rights of tax-payers will be recognized." Precisely what that means will probably appear when the bill is reported.

The bill reported by Mr. LEARY, for the improvement of the navigation of the Hudson River, provides:

SECTION 1. That the Comptroller, State Engineer and Surveyor are authorized and directed to cause to be removed from the channel of the Hudson River all bars, shoals, rocks, &c., which obstruct navigation between Troy and New-Baltimore,—the work to be done under the direction of the State Engineer.

Section second appropriates $60,000 from the general fund for the work, and the Comptroller is directed to make application to the General Government for disbursement.

The bill of Mr. WYMAN, in the Senate, providing for the defence of New-York Harbor, is of a very important character. It appropriates $500,000 to build an iron-clad and to improve the forts in the harbor.

Mr. HOTCHKISS, in the Assembly, reported a bill which provides that the members of the Common Council of New-York, shall receive a compensation of $2,000 per annum, which compensation shall be in lieu of carriage hire and all other expenses, and they shall receive no additional compensation for services as members of Committee, members of the Board of Health, or Relief Committees, or for any other official services, and all fees of the members are hereby abolished.

The resolutions offered by Mr. DARGY, inviting Gen. McCLELLAN, remodeled and improved, were adopted. The shape in which they were originally presented was as follows, both by inserting and omitting as will not forth by Mr. DARGY, Messrs. DIXON, FRANK, and Messrs. WM. Francis and Sweet, Courtney, E. Hopkins, Jr., Francisco and Swan voted in the negative.

The bill of Senator WOODRUFF, to provide for the transportation of passengers and freight in the City of New-York, from the North River to other points in the City, in lieu of the present system of omnibus and horse cars, which are rather huge dimensions, of which more anon.

In a political sense, all is not lovely with the New-York delegation. Recent articles have appeared in the *Herald* and *Leader*, the former ridiculing Messrs. DEAN, FIELD & Co., the latter charging them with having no conduct of themselves as to rate the prospects with which the Democratic party came to Albany. This is unquestionably the very truth. But this is not the only source of difficulty. FERNANDO WOOD having failed to obtain the indorsement of his party in caucus, or even to obtain the support of all the representatives from his City, it is said that therefore Mozart has notified Assemblymen KOCH and Senator CONKLING that they have been excommunicated. I believe they survive, however, and are tolerably comfortable too, since they have the company of all the other Democrats in the two Houses. RODERICK.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

ALBANY, Thursday, Feb. 12, 1863.

A number of petitions were presented in favor of the use of the "dummy" engine on the Brooklyn Central Railroad.

BILLS REPORTED FAVORABLY.

To authorize the payment of the interest on the Canal drafts protested for non-payment.

By Mr. SANFORD—To appropriate the proceeds of the State tax for the support of the Common schools.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS, this bill was put forward to a first Committee of the Whole.

Mr. CORNELL noticed a bill relative to the city railroads in New-York.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. WOODRUFF—Relative to the transportation of passengers and freight from the North River to other points in the City.

The remainder of the session was consumed in the consideration of the General Bounty bill.

Recess till 7 P. M.

The Senate met at 7, the special order being the resolutions relative to the Emancipation Proclamation.

Mr. PRYN offered the following amendment:

Resolved, That we will maintain and support it in all its integrity against assaults from every quarter—from Secession South, or Abolitionists North.

Mr. LOW protested against this coupling in the same breath the Abolitionists of the North with the traitors in arms against the Government at the South.

Mr. HUTCHINS desired something more definite. What class of people was meant by the Abolitionists of the North? What invasions had they attempted? What rights had they subverted?

Mr. PRYN said the resolutions had been brought out on the election of a United States Senator, but he submitted whether the resolutions under discussion were not, on the majority of the Senate, desired to pass. If they did pass, he would satisfy himself by voting against them. If parties at the South were false to the Government and parties at the North desired them, he should not hesitate to couple both together. The South attempts to destroy the Government, yet a class of people at the North refuse, through the New-York Democracy, to vote for men who have pledged themselves to support, in particular course, unless the doctrine of State rights, as understood at the North, was maintained, or should we lose have despotism. It was impossible that the concerns of States stretching across a vast continent could be administered by central power.

The discussion was continued by Messrs. HUTCHINS, TRUMAN, LOW, HAMMOND and PRYN.

The amendment was lost, and Mr. LOW's resolution adopted, after several minor amendments.

Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

ALBANY, Thursday, Feb. 12.

Mr. LOUGHRAN gave notice of a bill to provide horse railroads in New-York so as to protect the interests of citizens and tax-payers.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. FAULKNER—To authorize Justices of the Peace in Kings County to hold inquests in the respective towns.

By Mr. BEERWIRTH—To amend the charter of the Lebanon Springs Railroad.

By Mr. KOCH—To subject to proper police regulations all cars on City railroads.

By Mr. LEARY—To appropriate $60,000 from the general fund to remove obstructions in the Hudson River, the work to be under the direction of the State Engineer.

By Mr. PETT—To give effect to the resolution of the Common Council of New-York, authorizing Commodore VANDERBILT to extend the pier on the south side of Pier No. 1, North River.

By Mr. LESLIE—To make corporations or persons liable in case of the death of a person injured by their neglect.

By Mr. HAMMOND—To provide that the pay of the members of the Common Council shall be $3,000 a year salary, in lieu of any fees or extra compensation.

By Mr. O'BRIAN—Repealing the laws relating to the election of constables in New-York, and giving the Sheriff, with the advice and consent of the Board of Supervisors, power to appoint four Marshals for each Justices District Court, to hold office for the same term as the Judges of the Courts.

The concurrent resolution allowing the Senate to adjourn from the 19th to the 25th inst., was agreed to.

THE COMPLIMENTARY RESOLUTIONS TO GEN. McCLELLAN.

Mr. DARGY's resolutions, inviting Gen. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN to visit the Capital as the guest of the State, were modified by him so as to request the Governor to forward a copy of the resolutions to Gen. McCLELLAN, instead of a committee being appointed to wait upon him.

Messrs. SHERWOOD and RESPINGER withdrew their amendments.

Mr. DARGY's resolutions were then carried, only four members voting against them.

The following are the negative votes: Messrs. CORNELL, S. HOPKINS, Jr., FRANK and SWEET.

Three others, Messrs. DAVIS, HEACOCK and PARSONS, were excused from voting, each announcing that if they were compelled to vote, they should vote in the negative.

The resolutions received ninety-five affirmative votes.

TAX ON FOREIGNERS.

Mr. KOCH offered resolutions directing the Judiciary Committee to report whatever bill can be constitutionally passed, imposing a tax on foreigners who neglect to become citizens of the United States after the term required for their naturalization.

RED BOOKS.

The House then voted twenty Red Books to each member, officer and reporter. Recess till 7 o'clock.

The Assembly met at 7 o'clock. The special order, the Governor's message, was taken up in Committee of the Whole, J. S. MAYNARD, of Suffolk, in the Chair.

Judge DEAN took the floor, and in an elaborate speech replied to the remarks of F. E. HAVENS, on the questions of the emancipation proclamation and arbitrary arrests. He took ground against the constitutionality of the emancipation proclamation, and showed it to be a failure as a war measure, as which, alone, it was justified by the supporters of the President. He stanza from information gathered from the Adjutant-General's Department, while New-York has been 225,000 men in the war, only once regiment had been organized since the Proclamation was issued. It had called forth no money, for no loan had been made in New-York or Boston since its issue. It brought no moral support to the Government, for it divided it North, while it unites and focalizes the power of the South. In relation to arbitrary arrests, after a well-digested argument on its unconstitutionality, and reply to the plea of necessity, which he argued was the most dangerous plea used by tyrants, Mr. DEAN declared if the President had the power to suspend the writ of habeas corpus, the Governor of the State had a similar power within our own State, and might turn the Lables on the Republicans who attempted such outrages, if necessary.

At the close of Mr. DEAN's remarks the Committee rose, and the subject was made the special order for next Wednesday evening.

Mr. KOCH introduced a bill to reduce the force on all the City railroads.

Mr. HOGANS introduced resolutions declaring that the President had as much power to issue the Emancipation Proclamation as he had to forbid the sun to shine by day, the moon by night, or grass or to grow on the plantations of the South. Laid over.

Adjourned.

The Senatorial Contest in Missouri.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Thursday, Feb. 12.

The joint session of the Legislature for the election of United States Senators adjourned yesterday until the 12th of November next.

The thirteen ballot resulted as follows: PRESTON, 47; WHEGATE, 31; BROWN, 29; BRECKINRIDGE, 28; scattering, 4. Necessary for a choice, 71.

NEW-YORK SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES.

THE NEW-YORK SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES is published THIS MORNING, and may be had at the counter of the publication office in wrappers ready for mailing. In addition to the latest intelligence by telegraph up to the moment of going to press, there will be found in the current number full details of all military movements in the different departments from the pens of our special correspondents. Also, all official orders, reports and documents, and the latest and fullest Washington news, European news, with graphic letters from our correspondents in London and Paris, giving the tone of public feeling abroad. In Tuesday's issue of the SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES appeared a carefully prepared article on the Cotton Question, which has been pronounced by competent judges to be the most comprehensive and reliable statement of the cotton question in its bearings on the American reader; and marriage with article of the week.

The "Semi-Weekly Records," or news summary, being a careful synopsis and digest of the news of the day, both rebellion, and general—is alone worth double the subscription price to the paper, as it preserves in a condensed and conveniently classified form all news of interest, and must prove valuable as a record to all time.

Tuesday Evening Experience of an Old Nurse.—Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP is the prescription of one of the best female physicians and nurses in the United States, and has been used for thirty years with never-failing safety and success by millions of mothers and children, from the feeble infant of one week old to the adult.

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Diseases of the Nervous, Seminal, Urinary and Sexual Systems, new and reliable treatment—in reports of the Howard Association. Sent in sealed letter envelopes, free of charge. Address Dr. J. SKILLIN HOUGHTON, Howard Association, Philadelphia, Penn.

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The Pulsary Arm and Leg.—S. FRANK PALMER, inventor and patentee, Astor-place, (ground floor) N. Y. Also Philosophical and Philosophical Apparatus. Avoid imposition by calling on the inventor.

The Stock and Jewelry Business of the late JOHN B. GINOCHIO is offered for sale. Inquire on the premises, No. 380 Canal-st.

MARRIED.

FARRELL—SCHLUMPF.—In this City, on Thursday, Feb. 12, at St. Stephen's Church, by Rev. J. Orsoline, THOMAS M. FARRELL, U. S. N., and MARY E., daughter of John F. Schlumpf, Esq., of this City.

CARPENTER—CASE.—In this City, on Thursday, Feb. 12, by Rev. Dr. Potts, ELBERT B. CARPENTER and JENNIE E. CASE, all of this City.

GRISWOLD—SIMON.—In Hackney, on Thursday, Jan. 29, at the Unitarian Church, by Rev. E. B. Aspland, Doctor CHARLES GRISWOLD, Esq., of New-York, late U. S. Consul at Manila, and ISABELLE ALEXANDRINA, daughter of the late Henry Tendore Simon, Esq., of Penang, and adopted daughter of Edward Consett, Esq., of Boston, U. S.

HILL—VARR.—In this City, on Wednesday, Feb. 11, by Rev. Dr. Cox, JAMES S. HILL and ANN AMELIA, daughter of Edmund Yard, of this City.

ROGERS—MONSON.—In this City, on Thursday, Feb. 12, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. J. M. Dickson, of Newark, N. J., Mr. WILLIAM C. ROGERS and Miss MAGGIE MONSON, daughter of James Morrison, Esq., all of this City.

DYELLE—HOWE.—In Brooklyn, on Wednesday, Feb. 11, by Rev. E. B. Taylor, D. D., Mr. JOHN DYELLE, and SARAH M., youngest daughter of James H. Howe, Esq., all of Brooklyn. No cards.

DIED.

AMBIE.—In this City, on Thursday, Feb. 12, after a long illness, which she bore with Christian resignation, Miss MARGARET JANE, eldest daughter of John and Mary Ambie.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services, to-morrow (Saturday) morning, at 11 o'clock, from the residence of her parents, No. 48 West 47th-st., without further invitation. The remains will be taken to Mount Pleasant Cemetery, New-Jersey, for interment.

☞ Newark, N. J., papers please copy.

BERNHARD.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, Feb. 12, JAMES EDWIN, infant son of James H. and Jennie M. Bernhard.

BROWN.—In this City, on Wednesday, Feb. 11, Mrs. ELIZABETH BROWN, relict of David Brown, aged 90 years.

The funeral will take place on Friday next, at 1 o'clock P. M., from the residence of her niece, Mrs. Martha Lawrence, No. 60 Hester-st.

BERRYMAN.—On Saturday, Feb. 7, at White Oak Church Hospital, Va., of chronic diarrhœa, CLAUDIUS A. BERRYMAN, a member of Co. A, First Regiment Long Island Volunteers, with which he participated in the following battles: Yorktown, Williamsburgh, Fair Oaks, Gaines' Mills, Malvern Hills, second battle of Bull Run, and Fredericksburgh, aged 24 years.

His remains have been brought home, and the relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his father, 5th-st., between 4th and 5th ave., Brooklyn, on FRIDAY, Feb. 13, at 3 o'clock P. M.

☞ Camden and Philadelphia papers please copy.

CUTLER.—In Brooklyn, at the Rectory of St. Ann's Church, on Tuesday morning, Feb. 10, Rev. BENJAMIN CLARK CUTLER, D. D., aged 67 years.

The funeral service will be held in St. Ann's Church, on Friday, Feb. 13, at 11 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend, without further notice. The remains are requested to meet in the chapel adjoining the church, at 12½ o'clock.

DAWSON.—In this City, on Wednesday night, Feb. 11, after a long and painful illness, FRUCE R., wife of Edward L. Dayton, and daughter of the late Judge Cooper, of New-Jersey, aged 30 years.

The relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 128 West 25th-st., on Saturday, Feb. 14, at 12 o'clock M.

EDWARD.—In Brooklyn, on Friday evening, Feb. 10, after an illness of several years, EMMA C., wife of Daniel Edward, aged 61 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend her funeral, from Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, on Saturday, Feb. 14, at 3 o'clock P. M.

FARMER.—In this City, on Thursday, Feb. 12, HARRIET DE LA., wife of Robert G. Farmer, aged 33 years, 10 months and 24 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from her late residence, No. 711 6th-av., on Saturday, Feb. 14, at 11 o'clock A. M., without further invitation. Her remains will be taken to Greenwood for interment.

HAYNES.—In this City, on Thursday, Feb. 12, SAMUEL GLOVER, in the 63d year of his age.

Funeral will take place at Trinity Chapel, 25th-st., on Saturday morning, Feb. 14, at 10½ o'clock. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend without further notice.

GRAVES.—In Hudson City, N. J., on Tuesday, Feb. 10, at her residence, Mrs. ELIZABETH, widow of the late Amos Graves, in the 80th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, City Seminary, on Friday afternoon, Feb. 13, at 3 o'clock.

HATCHER.—In this City, on Wednesday, Feb. 11, JAMES HATCHER, in the 72d year of his age.

The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from his late residence, No. 34 West 30th-st., on Friday afternoon, Feb. 13, at 1o'clock.

☞ Philadelphia papers please copy.

HEAD.—In Brownville, on Wednesday, Feb. 11, of fever contracted at camp, Lieut. JOSEPH N. HEAD, Co. E, 106th Regiment New-York State Volunteers, in the 25th year of his age.

The funeral will take place from the residence of his brother-in-law, John M. Masterson, on Saturday, Feb. 14, at 12 o'clock M. Cars will leave Harlem Depot, (28th-st. and 4th-av.,) at 10½ o'clock. Carriages will be in waiting at the cars at Brownville.

MORGAN.—On Thursday evening, Susan, daughter of the late Mathew Morgan, aged 22 years, 3 months and 23 days.

Notice of funeral in the evening papers.

THOMPSON.—In Poughkeepsie, on Monday, Feb. 9, Mrs. PRUDE THOMPSON, relict of the late Thomas Thompson, Esq.

She is lamented by all who knew her, and leaves many relatives and friends to mourn her loss.

WALSH.—In this City, on Thursday, Feb. 12, JOHNSON WALSH, born in Dumfriesshire, Scotland.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of James Nicholson, No. 303 West 19th-st., on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 15, at 2 o'clock.

WARNER.—In Jersey City, on Wednesday, Feb. 11, MARIA WARNER, widow of the late Wm. Warner, in the 73d year of her age.

The friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Friday, Feb. 13, at 2 o'clock P. M., from the residence of her son-in-law, John Campbell, No. 3 Essex-st., Jersey City.

WATERBURY.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, Feb. 12, of diphtheria, CORNELIUS WENDELL, son of Charles H. and Catalina Waterbury, aged 10 months.

Funeral on Saturday, Feb. 14, at 2 o'clock, from No. 254 Hicks-st.

OFFICIAL DRAWINGS OF MURRAY, EDDY & CO.'S KENTUCKY AND MISSOURI STATE LOTTERIES.

KENTUCKY, EXTRA CLASS 72.—Feb. 12, 1863.
4, 58, 8, 7, 30, 9, 53, 52, 42, 77, 64, 15, 48.

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TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW-YORK.

Office No. 94 Broadway.

☞ THE FOLLOWING IS A STATEMENT OF the affairs of the Company for the fiscal year ending 31st January, 1863:

Net cash assets 1st February, 1862 ..... $7,[illegible]

RECEIPTS DURING THE YEAR.

For premiums and policy fees ..... $1,[illegible]
For interest on investments ..... $[illegible]
For Annuities ..... $[illegible]
Overpaid by Agents ..... $[illegible]
$1,[illegible]
$[illegible]

EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR.

Paid Claims by Death ..... $[illegible]
Paid Additions to same ..... $[illegible]
Paid Surrender of Policies ..... $[illegible]
Paid Annuities and Reductions of Premiums ..... $[illegible]
Paid Profit and Loss ..... $[illegible]
Paid Commissions ..... $[illegible]
Paid Expenses, to wit:
Exchange and Postage, Taxes, Advertising, Salaries, Medical Examination, Law Expenses, Printing and Stationery, Rent, Cost, &c. ..... $[illegible]
$[illegible]
Net Cash Assets 1st February, 1863 ..... $[illegible]

Invested as follows:
Cash on hand: in Trust Companies and in Bank ..... $1,301,[illegible]
Bonds and Mortgages ..... $1,[illegible]
United States Stocks ..... 2,[illegible]
Real Estate, &c. ..... $[illegible]
Due from Agents for Cash collected but not remitted 23,476 21
Add:
Interest accrued, but not due ..... $[illegible]
Interest due and unpaid ..... $[illegible]
Deferred Premiums ..... $[illegible]
Premiums in course of transmission ..... $[illegible]
Gross Assets Feb. 1, 1863 ..... $[illegible]

Increase in Net Cash Assets for the year, $1,[illegible]

Number of Policies in force, Feb. 1, 1863, 12,[illegible], insuring the sum of $[illegible], exclusive of Reversionary additions.

I have carefully examined the foregoing statement and find the same to be correct.

SHEPPARD HOMANS, Actuary.

Since the organization of the Company 1,651 deaths have occurred among its members, on whose policies the sum of $1,[illegible] has been paid, of which $407,[illegible] were paid as Dividends or Additions to Policies, and which does not include their participation in the approaching distribution of surplus.

☞ The details of the Dividend of the date of 1st February, 1863, will be announced to Policy holders as soon as practicable.

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The New-York Times, Friday, February 13, 1863.

GENERAL MARKETS.

New-York, Thursday, Feb. 12, 1863—6 P. M.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce, since our last, have been: 49 bbls. Ashes, 17,203 bbls. Flour, 236 bbls. and 4,267 bags Corn Meal, 672 bushels Wheat, 4,861 bushels Corn, 3,569 bushels Rye, 600 bushels Barley, 1,522 bushels Malt, 4,402 pkgs. Provisions, and 1,017 bbls. Whisky.

ASHES—Sales to-day 25 bbls., at $6 68¾ for Pots, and at $7 for Pearls. Ashes are dull.

COFFEE—Has been quiet to-day, at previous quotations: Java, 35½@36c.; Rio, 29½@32c., and St. Domingo at 28c.@29½c., ⅌ lb.

COTTON—Has been quoted firm at 59c.@60c., for Middlings, ⅌ lb., but has been sparingly purchased.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour opened buoyantly, at an advance of 5c.@10c. ⅌ bbl., the export demand having been somewhat bolstered up on the strength of the rise in gold, but the market closed timidly and languidly. The reported arrivals since our last comprise 12,800 bbls., including Superfine State and Western at $5 25@$5 90; poor to choice extra State at $7 05@$7 50, chiefly at $7 05@$7 25; round hoop Extra Ohio, shipping brands, at $7 50@$8 25; fancy do. at $8 50@$9 50; and Superfine State and Western ..... $5 35 @$5 90
Extra State ..... $6 05 @$7 25
Extra Illinois, Indiana, etc. ..... $6 05 @$7 25
Extra Genesee ..... $7 50 @$8 25
Extra Ohio, etc. ..... $7 05 @$9 50
Extra Western ..... $7 05 @$9 50
Superfine to Choice Extra Ohio ..... $7 55 @$10 25
Southern Flour is dull and lower, sales 350 bbls., at $7 25@$7 85 for poor to good Superfine Baltimore, &c., $7 90@$8 25 for fancy to choice orange, and $8 25@$10 50 for extra parlor family brands. Canadian Flour is firmer to-day, sales 700 bbls. Extra, at $7 30@$7 75 ⅌ bbl. Rye Flour continues in demand, at $5 30@$5 50 ⅌ bbl. Rye and Superfine ⅌ bbl. Corn Meal is in moderate request at $4 10 for Jersey, $4 20 for Brandywine, and $4 20 for Brandywine ⅌ bbl. Buckwheat Flour, $2 50@$2 62½ ⅌ 100 lbs.

GRAIN—Wheat has been in fair demand, to-day, at a partial rise of 1c.@2c. ⅌ bushel. Sales since our last, 75,000 bushels, including White Western, at $1 36; Amber Western, at $1 37@$1 37½; Red Western, (Winter,) at $1 32@$1 36; Amber Iowa, and Wisconsin, at $1 36; Milwaukee Club, at $1 30@$1 40; Chicago Spring, at $1 27½@$1 31; Red State, at $1 6@$1 19 ⅌ bushel. Corn has been in good demand, at prices rather higher than those ruled since our last, 91,000 bushels, at 61c.@62c., for ordinary Mixed Western; 62c.@63c. for Damaged, &c.; 70c.@80c. for Unsound, and 90c. for Yellow Western. Rye is dull, and lower, sales at 60c.@62c. according to quality; 9 bushel. Oats continue in fair request, including Canada, at 71½c.@72½c.; Western, at 72c.@72½c. Barley is dull, at 60c.@65c. ⅌ bushel. Barley Malt is quiet, at 90c.@95c. ⅌ bushel.

HAY—North River is in good request at 85c.@$1 ⅌ 100 lbs.

HOPS—New have been in moderate demand at 20c.@30c., according to quality, ⅌ lb.

METALS—Have been quiet, to-day; prices unchanged.

MOLASSES—Has been inactive at former quotations.

PROVISIONS—Pork has been more sought after at firmer prices. Sales 3,700 bbls. at $16 00@$16 75 for old Mess; $16 50@$16 75 for new Mess; and $11 50@$12 62½ for old and new Prime ⅌ bbl. Cut Meats are in more demand, at 11½c.@12c. for Hams, and 5½c.@5½c. for Shoulders, ⅌ lb. Bacon has been in lively request, at 7½c.@7¾c. ⅌ lb.; sales 2,200 boxes Cheese, at 10½c.@11½c. ⅌ lb. Lard is in more request, at former rates; sales since our last embrace 400 tierces, at 6½c.@6¾c. for Extra Prime; 600 tierces Prime, at 6½c.@6¾c. for Prime Mess; $12 00@$12 25 for Prime Mess; $14 00@$14 50 for Prime Mess Beef; $14 50@$16 50 ⅌ bbl. Butter is in fair demand at 17c.@22c. for poor to choice Western, and 22c.@27c. for common to very choice State. Cheese is in more request, to-day, at 11c.@15c., the latter rate for choice, ⅌ lb.

RICE—Has been quiet and nominal, to-day.

SUGARS—Have been very lightly dealt in to-day; prices have not varied.

TALLOW—Sales 70,000 lbs. at 11¾c.@11¾c. ⅌ lb.

WHISKY—Sales 2,000 gals. very heavy, to-day, comprising 5,200 bbls., at prices ranging from 54c.@55c., per gallon, the market closing quite dull.

FREIGHTS—Were quiet, to-day. For Liverpool, the engagements included 300 bbls. Flour, at 4s.; 100 qrs. Wheat, at 6d.; 20,000 bushels Grain, in bulk and bags, at 5¾d.@5¾d. ⅌ bushel; 750 packages Provisions at 25s.@30s. ⅌ ton. For London—700 bbls. Flour, at 2½d. ⅌ bbl., and by steamer, 500 bags clover seed, at 45s. ⅌ ton.

Philadelphia, Thursday, Feb. 12.

FLOUR declining and dull; sales 1,000 bbls. at $5 50. WHEAT declined; sales 5,000 bush. Red at $1 68@$1 70; White, $1 80. CORN dull at 67c.; 10,000 bush. at 65c. COFFEE—Rio, 29c.@32c. WHISKY dull at 61c.@62c. MESS PORK—Old, $16 75; New, $16.

Baltimore, Thursday, Feb. 12.

FLOUR dull and prices nominal. WHEAT dull, but unchanged. CORN dull and drooping; White, 67c.@68c.; Yellow, 68c. OATS—Western, but inactive, at 48c. GROCERIES quiet and steady.

Movements of European Steamers.

FROM AMERICA.

City of Manchester	Feb. 14	New-York	Liverpool
North American	Feb. 14	Portland	Liverpool
Hansa	Feb. 14	New-York	Southampton
Kedar	Feb. 16	Boston	Liverpool
Bavaria	Feb. 21	New-York	Southampton
Etna	Feb. 21	New-York	Liverpool
Asia	Feb. 28	New-York	Liverpool
City of Washington	Feb. 28	New-York	Liverpool
Canada	Mar. 4	Boston	Liverpool
China	Mar. 11	New-York	Liverpool

TO COME.

Bavaria	Jan. 28	Southampton	New-York
Etna	Jan. 28	Liverpool	New-York
Anglo-Saxon	Jan. 29	Liverpool	Portland
Asia	Jan. 31	Liverpool	New-York
City of Washington	Feb. 4	Liverpool	New-York
Nova Scotian	Feb. 8	Liverpool	Portland
Canada	Feb. 7	Liverpool	Boston
Hammonia	Feb. 11	Southampton	New-York
City of Baltimore	Feb. 11	Liverpool	New-York
Chile	Feb. 14	Liverpool	New-York
Arabia	Feb. 21	Liverpool	Boston
Teutonia	Feb. 28	Southampton	New-York
Australasian	Feb. 28	Liverpool	New-York
Borussia	Mar. 11	Southampton	New-York
Saxonia	Mar. 28	Southampton	New-York

Departure of European Mails.

The Mails for Europe by the steamships *Hansa* and *City of Manchester* will close at the New-York Post-office on Saturday, at 10½ A. M.

Steamer for the Southern Coast.

For New-Orleans ..... Steamer Columbia ..... Feb. 13.
For Beaufort and Port Royal ..... Steamer Mary Sanford ..... Feb. 14.

Departure of Domestic Mails.

North Mails close at ..... 4 A. M. and 3:30 P. M.
South Mails close at ..... at 8 A. M. 4:30 and 10½ P. M.
Western Mails (*via* Erie Railroad) ..... 8 A. M. and 2 P. M.
Eastern Mails ..... 8 A. M., 4:45 P. M. and 9:30 P. M.
Mails for California, Oregon, Washington and the Sandwich Islands close daily at the New-York Post-office at 8½ A. M. and 3½ P. M.
On Sundays all Mails close at 1:30 P. M.

HELP WANTED.

GARDENER WANTED—AN INDUSTRIOUS man, with practical experience as best horse grazer and flower and vegetables, shrubbery, &c.—he qualified to oversee a country residence, would find a good and permanent place; if married without incumbrance in the family preferred. Say where employed, and references. Address C. H., Box No. 1,337 Post-office.

A CHAMBERMAID AND NURSE.—WANTED, a good dispositioned willing and competent Irish Catholic girl, as chambermaid and nurse; she must be determined not duties, and be able to do plain sewing; as a good girl, a permanent home, with good wages, will be given. Apply at No. 16 Willow-st., corner of Middagh, Brooklyn.

YOUNG MEN—LANDSMEN, SEAMEN, ordinary seamen, coasters and blackbirders to ship for navy, whaling or merchant ships; short passages; will apply only at No. 114 West-st., corner of Cortlandt-st., up stairs, opposite the Jersey City Ferry.
W. H. WHITING, Agent.

A BOY.—BOY WANTED IN A SEED-STORE.—Some about 15 years of age; who is honest and industrious; wages $2 per week. Address W. E., Box No. 187 Times Office.

A NURSE AND SEAMSTRESS.—WANTED, a Protestant woman, to do nursing and sewing; be a good seamstress and have City recommendations. Apply, from 10 to 12 o'clock, 26 No. 25 Washington-square.

A SEAMSTRESS, &c.—WANTED, A PROTestant, as seamstress, to do light chamber work. Apply, before 12 o'clock, at No. 164 9th-st.

FOURDRINIER MACHINE-TENDER WANTED—At Jessup & Moore's Mills, near Wilmington, Del. Address WM. A. LINDSAY, Wilmington, Del.

A COLORED COOK.—WANTED, A GOOD COLored cook; one who thoroughly understands her business, and can give City references. Apply at No. 128 East 13th-st.

WANTED—TWO CONDUCTORS, TWO BRAKEmen; none to go with a merchant to California; salary liberal. Apply to Mr. SPINK, No. 7 Chatham-square.

$75 A MONTH!—I WANT TO HIRE AGENTS in every county, at $75 a month, expenses paid, to sell my new cheap Family Sewing-Machine. Address S. MADISON, Alfred, Maine.

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ON DEMANDE UNE PERSONNE PARLANT le français et possédant une nourrice et pouvant aussi les enfans; inutile de se présenter sans de bonnes références. S'adresser rue 15 heures et midi, au No. 23 East 20th-st., Madison-square.

UNE FRANCAISE DESIRE UNE PLACE POUR soigner un petit enfant, et blanchir la monotine. S'adresser No. 214 East 34th-st., troisième étage, chambre No. 16.

REMOVAL.—E. VATET'S HAIR-DRESSING ESTablishment has removed from No. 630 to No. 632 Broadway, corner of 19th-st., up stairs.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

A COOK.—A RESPECTABLE YOUNG WOMAN from the north of Ireland wishes a situation; can cook, understands all kinds of cook, plain cooking, bread and pastry; she no objection to assist with washing and ironing; if the family is small will do it all; has the best City references. Call for two days at No. 32 West Houston-st., in the rear, second floor, front room.

A COOK.—A SITUATION WANTED BY A RESpectable young woman; can cook in a private family; understands all kinds of family cooking, soups, meats, poultry and game, pastry, &c.; willing to assist in washing and ironing. If required; best of City references given. To be seen for two days. Call at No. 207 6th-av., corner of 13th-st., in the fancy store.

A COOK, WANTED, BY A RESPECTABLE Protestant young woman, a situation in first-class cook; understands game, soups, baking and pastry, jellies, ice-cream and all kinds of dessert; best of City references given. Call for two days at No. 156 West 14th-st., near 7th-av.

A COOK, WASHER AND IRONER.—Wanted, a situation, by a respectable young woman, in a private family, as cook, washer and ironer; the best of City or country references. Call for two days at No. 32 West 17th-st., between 6th and 7th ave.

A COOK.—WANTED, BY A COMPETENT, tidy woman, who thoroughly understands her business, a situation as cook in all its branches, and to do the coarse washing; understands make poultry, baking and pastry, wages $8. Call at her address, No. 154 East 31st-st., for two days.

A COOK, WASHER AND IRONER.—Wanted, by a respectable young girl, a situation as cook, wash and iron, who can make excellent bread and biscuit; has the best of references from her last employer. Can be seen for two days, at No. 152 East 19th-st.

A FIRST-CLASS COOK AND WAITER.—A Protestant man and his wife are desirous of obtaining situations, together, in a private family, either in the City or country; they have the best of references as to character, &c.; the woman is a first-class cook, and the man a waiter. Apply at the Servants' Institute, No. 397 4th-av.
C. C. BEDELL.

A CHAMBERMAID.—A SITUATION WANTED by a competent person as chambermaid, who perfectly understands her business; she would go as laundress; can give good references. Call at No. 248 East 13th-st., between 1st and 2d ave., second floor, front room.

A CHAMBERMAID, &c.—WANTED, A SITuation, by a Protestant young woman, to do chamber work and light waiting, or fine washing; has got good City reference. Call at No. 202 East 19th-st.

A CHAMBERMAID, &c.—A SITUATION wanted, by a respectable girl, to do chamber-work or take care of children. Call at No. 22 West 3d-st.

A CHAMBERMAID AND WAITRESS.—Wanted, a situation by a competent young woman; chambermaid and waitress, or would assist in the washing; is willing to make herself generally useful; has the best of City reference. Can be seen for two days at No. 3 5th-av. Ring the bell.

A HOUSEMAID.—A RESPECTABLE YOUNG woman wishes a situation as housemaid, or to do general housework. Inquire No. 113 West 23d-st., top floor; call for two days. Good City reference.

A GENERAL HOUSEWORKER.—A very respectable German girl wants a situation to do general housework, in the country or City. Call at No. 10 Grand-st.

A NURSE.—A COMPETENT PERSON WISHES a situation as nurse; she has acted in that capacity for the last fourteen years, and is fully competent to take the entire charge of an infant from its birth; she is kind and obliging to the sick, and can give the very best of City reference. Can be seen, for two days, at No. 330 Sixth-st., between 20th and 21st-sts.

A NURSE, &c.—WANTED, A SITUATION AS nurse and seamstress, or chambermaid, by a respectable Protestant young woman; has good City reference. Inquire at No. 117 West 26th-st., between 7th and 8th ave.

A NURSE AND SEAMSTRESS.—WANTED, a situation as nurse and seamstress, by a Protestant woman; understands the use of sewing machines and can do fine sewing; best of City references given. Can be seen for two days at No. 76 West 46th-st., between 5th and 6th ave., where she has lived.

A NURSE.—AN EXPERIENCED AMERICAN woman, with City references, wishes a place as nurse; would take care of an infant from its birth, or of two growing children; is a good plain sewer. Apply at her present employer's, No. 233 5th-av.

A WET NURSE.—WANTED, A SITUATION, by a respectable young woman, who has lost her own baby, as wet nurse; has got the best of City references given. Apply at No. 690 6th-av., Room No. 7.

A SEAMSTRESS.—WANTED, A SITUATION as seamstress by a competent young woman; is a competent cutter and fitter of ladies' and children's dresses; can operate on Wheeler & Wilson's sewing machines; best City references. Can be seen for two days at No. 36 East 16th-st., between Broadway and 4th-av.

A DRESSMAKER.—A YOUNG WOMAN, who is a first-class dressmaker, would like to engage in two more families to go out by the day or week. Can refer to the best of families. Call at No. 453 3d-av.

A WAITRESS, &c.—WANTED, A SITUAtion by a respectable young girl as waitress and chambermaid, or would do washing and ironing. Call at City response from her last place. Call for two days, at No. 143 West 34th-st., in the basement.

A WAITRESS OR CHAMBERMAID.—A young girl wishes a situation with a respectable family as waitress or chambermaid; can give good City reference; can be seen at No. 173 West 23d-st., second floor, back room.

A WAITRESS.—WANTED, A SITUATION BY a competent person as first-class waitress, who understands her business thoroughly. Inquire at No. 220 West 13th-st., rear building.

LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S LINEN MADE TO ORDER.—All kinds of family sewing neatly done on Wheeler & Wilson's Sewing Machine. Call at No. 165 East 23d-st., between 2d and 3d ave.

WANTED—BY A PROTESTANT SCOTCH WOman, a situation as cook and to assist with the washing; understands cooking in all its branches, and is an excellent baker of bread and biscuit; no objection to the country; good City reference. Call for two days at No. 41 Sheridan-st., between Broome and Delancey.

MALES.

A SEAD GARDENER AND FARMER.—Wanted by a thorough practical Scotchman, first-time foreman on first-class places, an engagement as head gardener and farmer, and to take charge of general details as a whole; will buy extra new plant; will attend to the dairy, &c. Apply or address GAITHERS, No. 18 Market-st.

A GARDENER.—WANTED, A SITUATION AS gardener by a young man, who understands the cultivation of cucumber houses, hot-beds, &c.; good reference from his last employer. Address M. L., Box No. 184 Times Office.

A COACHMAN.—WANTED, A SITUATION AS coachman by a single man, who has several years experience in this City; has the very best of references from the first families; is fully capable of taking charge of any gentleman's establishment. Address COACHMAN, 24 Trainor's saddlery establishment, No. 228 4th-st., near Broadway.

A COACHMAN.—A COACHMAN, JUST DISCHARGED, wants a situation; is a sober, steady, single man, with the best of City references for honesty, sobriety and a thorough knowledge of the duties of a coachman. Apply at CHAS. WATERS' saddlery, corner 13th-st. and Broadway, or address G. A., Box No. 209 Times Office.

A COACHMAN AND GROOM.—A RESpectable steady Protestant man, with the best references, desires a situation in City or country; understands his duties thoroughly; is willing to be generally useful for the interest of his employer; can understand the management of a small garden. Apply to MR. MANNING, No. 15 Court-st., Brooklyn.

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VALUABLE RIVER FRONT AND BUILDING LOTS FOR SALE AT RAVENSWOOD, L. I., on the East River, one mile from Hunter's Point Ferry.

A front of eight hundred feet on the river by two hundred and fifty deep, with water grant and dock.

Also two hundred feet-wide building lots situated on Vernon and Webster ave., in the centre of the village.

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Valuable and improved property on 4th and 5th-avs., 23d and 24th-sts., in lots to suit purchasers.

The Managers of the New-York Institution for the Blind, offer at private sale, the entire block between 4th and 5th ave., 23d and 24th-sts., containing three lots on 23d-st., occupied by the church.

The property offered comprises the entire front on the 4th-av., 197 feet 6 inches by 100 feet in depth, with the building thereon, adapted to be used as a remarkable and best improved front on 4th avenue; 13 regular lots on 24th-st., and 9 on 23d-st., all fronting the above; 12 lots on 23d-st. and 12 on 24th-st., covered by a large and expensive marble building, which can be used to great advantage as a church, or converted into 24 fine dwellings (width by 100 feet in depth, the entire front.)

The owners of the block is the crown of the square, the ground fronting each way on the avenues, is each of which there are no vacancies. Rather is any one lot, wide and the improvements already made on the north side opposite the premises offered for sale, are of the first class, as are also those on the opposite side of 23d-st.

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Terms cash.
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FOR SALE—BETWEEN 8TH AND 9TH AVS.—No. 344 West 23d-st., a very desirable high-stoop brown stone house, in splendid order, and equal to new throughout in the City, and on the block opposite Dr. Ward's magnificent mansion; price $16,000. Inquire at SHAW, No. 36 West 14th-st., between 5th and 6th ave., from 6 to 7, or of No. 82 Nassau-st., from 1 to 3. Any broker who sells the above I will pay him a commission.

FOR SALE—TWO BROWN-STONE FRONT four-story houses, Nos. 30 and 32 West 46th-st., between 5th and 6th ave.; the street is one of the best improved in the City. Price of No. 30, $18,000; of No. 32, $16,000. Inquire of Mr. SHAW, No. 36 West 46th-st., evenings from 6 to 10, or evenings from 6 to 7, at No. 82 Nassau-st., from 1 to 3. Also, for sale No. 342 West 16th-st., near 8th-av., $16,000. Any broker who sells the above I will pay him a commission.

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W. WERUA.

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E. B. LUDLOW & CO., No. 2 Pine-st.

COUNTRY RESIDENCE FOR SALE AT FLUSHING, L. I.—One mile from depot or seven miles from the City *via* Jackson-av.; 18 acres of cultivated land; large house, commodious barn, carriage house and ice-house, with an abundance of choice fruit, shade and shrubbery. For particulars address Box No. 39 Post-office, Flushing.

COUNTRY SEAT FOR SALE—AT BLOOMfield, N. J., about twelve miles from the City by railroad. Fine large house, about three acres of land; fruit and shade trees, &c. For particulars inquire of J. S. SEABURY, No. 41 Water-st.

COTTAGES FOR SALE OR TO LET, with gardens attached, at Astoria, L. I. For terms, &c., apply to S. S. RIKER, No. 159 Nassau-st.

COUNTRY RESIDENCES.

COUNTRY SEAT FOR SALE—CALCULATED to accommodate a large family; is the Mansion House, Kingston, Ulster County, Hudson River, Catskill Village, Dutchess County, Saratoga, contains 40 public rooms, and received during the last season, for four months, upwards of $4,000 net profit; the house is in fine order; lighted with gas; has fine lawn and good garden; is distant from other dwellings, and in the vicinity of schools, churches and post-office; mails twice a day. The greater part of the furniture can remain on mortgage if desired. Apply to GEORGE WEER, No. 61 Cedar-st., New-York.

FOR SALE AT REMPSTAD, L. I.—Twenty miles from New-York and Brooklyn—A first-class dwelling, residence and farm. The house replete with every modern convenience, gas, water, hot and cold baths and cellar; carriage drive, with shade and fruit trees in great variety. The farm of 100 acres, in the high state of cultivation, and valuable also, as building lots; has a new farm-house and all necessary out-buildings. Location about ¾ mile from village and railroad depot. Communication with New-York and Brooklyn several times a day. Illinois Central Railroad. Good schools, convenient to churches, &c. For further information, inquire of F. E. RANDOLPH, No. 16 Wall-st., or of GEORGE MERRILL, No. 302 Broadway.

ORANGE, N. J.—FURNISHED AND UNFURnished houses, beautifully situated, one hour from New-York, to let for the season or year; also country seats, farms and other lots for sale. Apply to HENRY B. BLACKWELL, No. 60 William-st., New-York, 9 to 11 A. M.; No. 45 Main-st., Orange, 1 to 3 P. M.

WANTED, TO LEASE OR PURCHASE, AS A MODERATE PRICE, a house and land, within a short distance from New-York, suitable for the Summer residence of a small family. Address X. Box No. 1,187 Times Office.

WANTED TO RENT—A FURNISHED COUNtry house in Westchester County, either on the Sound or North River. Address L. L., No. 16 Chambers-st.

FARMS.

FOR SALE—A FARM IN WESTCHESTER County, containing forty acres, within fifteen minutes drive of the depot at White Plains. The farm is in a state of land cultivation, and has a new and very substantial house, with fruit and ornamental shrubbery, well-watered meadow and pasture land. The house and out-buildings are in first-rate order. Two-thirds of the purchase money can remain on mortgage. Apply to MILES & GORHAM, White Plains, or JOHN VANDERBILT, No. 21 Fulton-st., New-York.

FARM FOR SALE—AT NEW-ROCHELLE, ON the old Boston road, about half mile from the railroad depot; said farm contains about twenty acres; the house is new and in good order, with outhouses and buildings, a good garden and all kinds of fruit; also, a well of good water, it is within one of the best fish ponds in the Sound, and contains about 1,000 feet of water front; to try, &c., apply on the premises, to E. J. MEDDOW, or to A. BREEMAN, No. 120 Attorney-st., New-York.

MAHOPAC FARM FOR SALE—CONTAINING 156 acres of land in a high state of cultivation, with a large orchard and fruit of all kinds. House and outbuildings in good condition. Inquire of WILLIAM WILDEN, No. 215 Bowery, or D. T. VALENTINE, City Hall.

FOR SALE—A FARM IN WESTCHESTER COUNty, containing 200 acres, 21 miles from the City, on the New-York and New-Haven Railroad; the farm is in good order; fruits of various kinds. Also, a valuable property, corner of 20th-st. and 3d-av. Inquire at the Marble Yard, No. 243 Bowery, corner of 2d-st.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—83 ACRES OF land; 150 acres are in a high state of cultivation, 300 acres in timber land, balance in grazing land, with a number of running streams; 2 miles from village; 1 mile from a thousand sub-building; fruits, &c. Apply to
J. H. THORNE, No. 114 Cedar-st.

FOR SALE—A FARM OF ABOUT 80 ACRES IN the town of Hyde Park, Dutchess County, New-York, near the depot; well wooded and watered, with stock and farming utensils. Terms very easy. Apply to L. HURST, No. 192 Broadway, New-York.

PLACE IN TOUGHKEEPSIE FOR SALE.—Twenty-five acres, fine house, large and new farm-house, barns, &c. Finest fruits in great variety. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, New-York, or HENRY W. SHAW, Poughkeepsie.

TO LET.

OFFICES TO LET—IN THE TIMES' BUILDING—Fronting Park-row, suitable for lawyers' offices. Inquire in the Times' Counting-room.

TO HOTEL KEEPERS AND OTHERS.—To lease a most desirable corner property, near the Everett House; lot 50 feet by 100 feet; house, a fine three story, first class. To a party who means to extend the building over the lot or lease for 21 years, with renewal, will be granted. The adjoining property, same size and description, may also be had if desired. For terms, &c., apply to WM. HASELL, No. 48 Cliff-st.

RARE CHANCE—MILLINERY AND DRY GOODS STORE TO LET—Located in the business centre of the village of Glen Cove, L. I., only 30 miles from New-York. Trade rate, cut of cutting. Store and dwelling contiguous. Dwelling contains 10 rooms. It will be let separate if desired. Rent will be $300 or $250 per year. Apply to M. DUDGEON, at Lord & Taylor's, Catharine-st.

OFFICES TO LET.—THE BUILDINGS NORTHeast corner Nos. 19 and 21 Broad-st., and No. 37 Exchange-place, will be altered into elegant, light and commodious offices, suitable for bankers, brokers, merchants, railway and mining corporations, and others; possession May 1. Inquire of EDWARD MATTHEWS, No. 16 Exchange-place.

TO LET OR LEASE—THE PROPERTY NO. 107 Broadway, known as the Gerard Hotel, adjoining the

FINANCIAL.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

NEW-YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

JANUARY 1, 1863.

Amount of Premiums Received	
Policy Fees received	
Amount of Interest received	
Total	$3,041,048 08
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Paid for losses by death	
Paid for Surrendered Policies, Dividends, Interest on Div.	
Policies Surrendered and Canceled	
Paid Sundry Commissions	
Paid for Taxes and Insurance	
Revenue Stamps	
Paid for Printing, Stationery, Advertising, Office Expenses, Express	
Paid for Commissions and Agency Expenses	
Reduction in value of Real Estate	
	$2,586,246 67

Cash in Bank $41,241 54
Invested in Securities (including United States Stock, Bonds and Mortgages on Real Estate owned by the Company) | |
Premium Notes on existing Policies (after deducting Dividends declared and applied on Policies now in force) | |
Quarterly and semi-annual Premiums due December 31, 1862, and prior years | |
Interest accrued to Jan. 1, 1863 | |
Premiums on Policies in course of transmission | |
Amount of all other property belonging to the Company | |
| | $3,156,445 97 |

The TRUSTEES have declared a DIVIDEND OF FIFTEEN PER CENT. UPON ALL PARTICIPATING LIFE POLICIES, which, from and after the second twelve months prior to Jan. 1, 1863, and APPLICABLE IN CASH on and after the first Monday in March next, or THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF THE LIFE POLICY, upon dividends thereafter declared from 1863 to 1867, inclusive, to those Policies which have been participating, at the Home Office, those having credits will be allowed the same upon their notes at the settlement of next premium.

TRUSTEES.

MORRIS FRANKLIN, ISAAC C. KENDALL,
JOHN H. NIXON, JOHN L. ROGERS,
JOHN S. BUSSING, JOHN MAIER,
DAVID DOWS, WILLIAM PATRICK,
DANIEL S. MILLER, LORING ANDREWS,
WILLIAM BARTON, ROBERT BOLTON,
W. C. DUBENEY, WM. E. APPLETON,
JOHN F. WILLIAMS, ROBERT B. COLLINS,
HENRY K. BOGERT, FLINT FREEMAN.

MORRIS FRANKLIN, President.
FLINT FREEMAN, Actuary.

MEDICAL EXAMINERS.

CORNELIUS R. ROGERT, M. D., No. 6 St. Mark's-pl.
GEORGE WILKES, M. D., No. 29 Lafayette-pl.

INSURANCE SCRIP.

FIRE.	MARINE.
American,	Atlantic,
Continental,	Commercial,
Etna,	Great Western,
Goodhue,	New-York,
Market,	Peoria Marine,
North American,	Orient,
Republic,	Pacific,
Security,	Sun,
Washington.	Union.

Purchased by WM. C. GILMAN & SON, No. 40 Pine-st.

EDWARD KING,
(Late of the firm of CHARLES G. KING'S SONS,)
Offers his services to the public as Broker in the purchase or sale of
STOCKS, BONDS AND GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.
No. 22 Wall-st.

SMITH BROTHERS & CO.,
NO. 8 WALL-ST.
ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELLERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THE COUNTRY AND ABROAD.

BOOT AND SHOE AND RUBBER BUSINESS PAPER bought and sold on commission at lowest rates. Loans obtained on good securities. Also, government stocks and gold. Commercial paper bought and sold by F. W. GALLAUDET, 1 Wall-st., cor. Broadway.

PROPOSALS FOR $30,000 CENTRAL PARK IMPROVEMENT FUND STOCK OF 1863.—Sealed proposals will be received at the Comptroller's Office until TUESDAY, the 24 day of March, 1863, at 3 o'clock P. M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of thirty thousand dollars of the Central Park Improvement Fund Stock, authorized by chapter 95 of the laws of 1862, and by an ordinance of the Common Council, approved by the Mayor, April 25, 1862.

The said stock will bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable quarter yearly, and the principal will be redeemed November 1, 1882.

The proposals will state the number of stock desired and the price per cent. for each, in United States dollars. The persons whose proposals are accepted will be required to deposit with the Chamberlain of the City, within five days after the opening of the bids, the sums awarded to them respectively.

Deposits accompanying the bids of the successful bidders will be allowed to the Comptroller for each deposit, the parties will be entitled to receive certificates for equal amounts of the par value of the stock, bearing interest from the dates of payments.

Each proposition should be sealed and indorsed, "Proposals for Central Park Improvement Fund Stock," and inclosed in a second envelope, addressed to the Comptroller.

The right is reserved to reject any or all of the bids if considered necessary to protect or promote the interests of the City.

MATTHEW T. BRENNAN, Comptroller.
CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Feb. 1, 1863.

OFFICE LAFAYETTE FIRE INSURANCE CO., BROOKLYN, Feb. 11, 1863.

ELECTION.—AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION, held on the 10th inst., the following gentlemen were elected Directors of this Company for the ensuing year:

WILLIAM H. CRUIKSHANK,	
TRUNIS J. BERGEN,	SAMUEL VAN WYCK,
HIRAM R. ST JOHN,	ALEXANDER McCUE,
EDWARD T. BACKHOUSE,	D. S. VOORHEES,
JAMES BERGEN,	JAMES SCHENCKMAKER,
JOHN H. SPADER,	MICHAEL NEVIUS,
HENRY J. CULLEN,	SAMUEL GARRISON,
BEVERIDGE H. BAGG,	JOHN LEFFERTS,
PHILIP S. CROOKE,	CORNELIUS J. BERGEN,
JAMES N. COOPER,	ALEXR. M. BENNEM,
JOHN G. SCHUMAKER,	JAMES VICE,
JOHN J. VANDERBILT,	JESSE C. ROWAN,
HENRY TIEMKEN,	ANDREW FITZGERALD,
EDWARD HARVEY,	STEPHEN A. DODGE,
	WILLIAM SPADER.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board, Mr. J. J. BERGEN was unanimously elected President, and Mr. EDWARD FREELAND, Esq., was unanimously elected Secretary.

J. B. THOMPSON, jr., Secretary.

FOR SALE—AT THE LOWEST MARKET PRICE,

U. S. 1861 6 per cent. Bonds.
1871 5 per cent. Bonds.
1874 6 per cent. Bonds.
1881 6 per cent. Bonds.
1868 6 per cent. Treasury Notes.
1 year 6 per cent. Certificates.
Demand Notes for duties.

AMERICAN GOLD,

BY LIVERMORE, CLEWS & CO., BANKERS, No. 36 Wall-st.

Stocks and Bonds bought and sold on Commission.

UNION BANK, NEW-YORK, Feb. 12, 1863.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION of Directors for this Bank will be held at the Banking house on Monday, the 23 day of March next. Poll open from 12 M. to 1 o'clock P. M.

JAMES M. LEWIS, Cashier.

$30,000 BROOKLYN CITY BONDS FOR SALE.—Six per cent. bonds, having twenty-five years to run. Coupons checking each and payable in New-York. Will find these bonds desirable.

E. REIGH, Jr., & SMITH, No. 16 William-st.

STOCKS, BONDS, GOLD AND GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Bought and sold at Board of Brokers.
By A. G. SEMMES, Jr., & CO.,
No. 12 Exchange-place.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF RESERVE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 12 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, JAN. 21, 1863.

A SEMI-ANNUAL INTEREST DIVIDEND of Three and a Half Per Cent. to the stockholders of this Company, has this day been declared, payable on the demand.

An interest dividend of Six Per Cent. on the scrip has also been declared, payable on and after the 10th of February next.

D. F. CURRY, Secretary.

NEW-YORK AND NEW-HAVEN RAILROAD CO., CORNER 27TH-AV. AND 27TH-ST., TREASURER'S OFFICE, Jan. 21, 1863.

A DIVIDEND OF THREE DOLLARS per share has been declared on the capital stock of this company, (free from Government tax,) payable at this office on and after MONDAY, the 26 day of February next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 24th inst. to Feb. 2, inclusive.

W. BEMENT, Treasurer.

OCEAN BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Jan. 31, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE OCEAN BANK HAS THIS day declared a Dividend of Three and One-Half (3½) per cent. free of Government tax, payable on and after the 10th of February next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 4th to the 10th of February. By order of the Board.

CHAS. PALMER, Cashier.

THE NAUGATUCK RAILROAD COMPANY, TREASURER'S OFFICE, BRIDGEPORT, CONN., Feb. 9, 1863.

FOURTEENTH DIVIDEND.—THE DIRECTORS have declared a Dividend of Four Per Cent., free from Government tax, payable on the 16th to the 19th of February. Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 19th of February, both days inclusive.

H. NICHOLS, Treasurer.

DIVIDENDS

THE NEW-YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, TREASURER'S OFFICE, ALBANY, Jan. 31, 1863.

IN—The Directors of this Company have declared a Semi-annual Dividend of three and one-half per cent. payable to Stockholders at the Office of the Company in New-York, Boston and Albany, respectively, and on the 20th day of February next, on Stock registered at New-York, Boston and Albany, respectively, and on the 20th day of March next on Stock registered at London.

The transfer books in New-York will be closed on the 10th day of February, and reopened on the 20th of March.

The Stock in New-York will be paid at the Office of DUNCAN SHERMAN & CO., in Exchange, in the City of New-York; at PROVOST & BROTHER, in Albany, at the ALBANY CITY BANK; in London, at the UNION BANK OF LONDON, pursuant to circular issued on the 1st Dec. 1862, from the Transfer Office in that City.

The Transfer Books in New-York, Albany and Boston will be closed at the close of business on Saturday, the 31st day of January instant, and be reopened on the morning of Monday, the 23d day of February next.

JOHN V. L. PRUYN, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE ERIE RAILWAY COMPANY, No. 151 WEST-ST., NEW-YORK, JAN. 29, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF this Company have declared a Dividend of Five Per Cent. free of Government tax, on the Preferred Capital Stock, out of the earnings of the year ending this date, payable on and after the 10th day of February next, to those parties in whose names the stock is registered at the closing of the Books. The transfer books of the preferred stock will close at 3 o'clock on Monday, the 2d, and open on the 11th of February. By order of the Board.

HORATIO N. OTIS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, NEW-YORK, FEB. 10, 1863.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Directors have this day declared a Dividend of Five (5) per cent. out of the net earnings of the last three months, payable free of United States tax, at the office of the Company, on FRIDAY, 20th inst. The transfer book will be closed on the 17th, and reopen on the 23d inst. By order of the Board.

THEODORE E. JOHNSON, Secretary.

TRINITY BUILDING, No. 111 BROADWAY, OFFICE OF THE FRANKLIN GAS COMPANY, NEW-YORK, FEB. 7, 1863.

A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF THREE and a half per cent. has this day been declared on the capital stock of this company, payable at the office of the Company in the City of New-York on and after Monday, the 16th inst. The transfer books will be closed from the 6th to the 16th, inst., both inclusive.

GEO. A. HOYT, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE BEEKMAN INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 20 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, JAN. 16, 1863.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Company have this day declared a Semi-Annual Dividend of Four Per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand.

JOHN G. HAVILAND, Secretary.

OFFICE OF SECURITY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 21 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK, FEB. 7, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMpany have this day declared a semi-annual Interest Dividend of Three and One-Half (3½) per cent., free of Government tax, payable to stockholders on demand. By order of the Board.

R. L. HAYDOCK, Secretary.

UNION FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 16 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, JAN. 16, 1863.

FIFTEENTH DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF Directors have declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Four per cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand.

WALTER H. FRANKLIN, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE NEW-YORK FIRE & MARINE INS. CO., NEW-YORK, FEB. 4, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a dividend of Six Per Cent. (free of Government tax), payable to the Stockholders on demand.

D. UNDERHILL, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE EMPIRE BANK, NEW-YORK, FEB. 4, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—A DIVIDEND OF FOUR PER CENT. (free from Government tax) has this day been declared, payable on and after the 15th inst. The Transfer Books will be closed until that date.

E. H. COMSTOCK, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE METROPOLITAN INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 108 Broadway, Feb. 2, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE DIRECTORS HAVE THIS day declared a Dividend of Six Per Cent. payable on and after the 10th inst., free of Government tax.

WM. S. BLOOM, Secretary.

PEOPLE'S FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, FEB. 9, 1863.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE declared a Dividend of Four (4) per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on and after the 16th February inst.

W. F. UNDERHILL, Secretary.

SAVINGS BANKS

MARINERS' SAVINGS BANK,
No. 126 Ist., corner 7th-st.
Open from 9 to 3 o'clock daily, and on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings from 6 to 8 o'clock.
THOS. S. STILLMAN, President.
ISAAC T. SMITH, Secretary.

THE NEW-YORK SAVINGS BANK.—CORner of Bleecker and Gansevoort-sts. Open daily, from 1 to 3 P. M., on Wednesdays and Saturdays, from 1 to 7 P. M. Six per cent. interest allowed on sums of $500 and under. Deposits made on or before March 1 will draw interest from that date.

THOMAS CHRISTY, President.
RICHARD H. BERRY, Secretary.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

THE COMMITTEE ON BELGIAN PAVEMENT of the Board of Councilmen will meet on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 18, at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room No. 6, City Hall, for the purpose of considering the following resolutions:

To pave Forty-seventh-street with Belgian pavement, from Third to Fifth-avenue.

To pave Forty-seventh-street with Belgian pavement, from Fifth to Sixth-avenue.

To pave Division-street with Belgian pavement, from Bowery to Eldridge-street.

To pave Essex-street with Belgian pavement, from Division to Stanton-street, one half at the expense of the property owners.

Also, Forty-eighth-street with Belgian pavement, from Ninth to Eleventh-avenue, at the expense of the property owners.

JOSEPH McVAY,
JOHN G. HAVILAND,
JOHN BRIDE,
Committee on Belgian Pavement.

THE COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS OF the Board of Councilmen will meet on Friday the 13th inst., in Room No. 6 City Hall at 3 o'clock P. M.

JOHN HOUGHTALIN,
FREDERICK REEFER,
THOMAS BRADY, Committee on
JOHN McCOMBS, Jr., Railroads.
JAMES SANFORD.

THE COMMITTEE ON SEWERS OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every WEDNESDAY, at 2 o'clock, in the City Hall. Persons interested in any matter before the Committee will have an opportunity of being heard.

T. FARLEY,
ISAAC ADEE,
JEREMIAH ALLEN,
Committee on Sewers.

THE COMMITTEE ON FIRE DEPARTMENT of the Board of Aldermen will meet every SATURDAY, at 2 o'clock, in the City Library Room, City Hall.

ABEL FRIAR,
WILLIAM ALLEN,
Committee on Fire Department.

LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Commissioners of the Central Park, in the name and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, relative to the acquisition of lands for a

PUBLIC PARK OR PLACE.

Between the southerly side of One Hundred and Sixth-street and One Hundred and Ten-th-street and the First and Eighth Avenues.

IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

We, the undersigned, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of houses and lots, and tenants or lessees of unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, as follows:

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons and corporations named therein, and who may be assessed in the same, present their objections in writing, duly verified, to Lorenzo Brabrook, Esq., our Chairman, at the Office of the Commissioners, No. 8 Wall-street, in this City, on or before the 23d day of February, 1863.

Second—That the Abstract of the said Estimate and Assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Street Commissioner's Office of the City and County of New-York, there to remain until the 23d day of March, 1863.

Third—That the limits embraced by the Assessments aforesaid are as follows, to wit:

Bounded on the North by the southerly line of one hundred and twenty-fifth-street; on the East by a line running northerly and southerly between and equally distant from the second and third Avenues; on the South by the northerly line of Ninety-sixth-street, and on the West by a line running northerly and southerly between and equally distant from the Tenth and Eleventh Avenues.

Excluding therefrom the lands embraced within the following description: "Between the southerly side of one hundred and sixth-street and one hundred and tenth-street and the fifth and eighth Avenues."

And

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New-York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at the City Hall in the said City, on Tuesday, the 21st day of March, 1863, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

LUTHER BRADISH,
MICHAEL ULSHOEFFER,
SAMUEL B. RUGGLES,
Commissioners.

New-York, Jan. 20, 1863.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF THE Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JOHN E. MONTGOMERY, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at the office of BEEKE, MONTGOMERY & CO., No. 37 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, on or before FRIDAY, the 3d day of April next.—Dated New-York, Sept. 26, 1862.

RICHARD W. MONTGOMERY,
ANTHONY W. WINANS,
Executors.

COAL, &c.

$6 75 TO $8 PER TON OF 2,000 pounds for superior quality of screened and white ash chestnut stove, egg and furnace coals, thoroughly screened, and free from dirt and slate. CHAS. E. HOLDEN, No. 16 New Bowery, corner of New-Chambers-st.; No. 19 Wall-st., and No. 60 East 14th-st., Union-square.

SHIPPING.

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS.

BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND SOUTHAMPTON, LANDING AT CORK HARBOR, AND BETWEEN LIVERPOOL AND NEW-YORK, CALLING AT HALIFAX AND COVE HARBOR.

ARABIA, Stone, leaves Boston, Wednesday, Feb. 4.
AUSTRALASIAN, Cook, leaves New-York, Wednesday, Feb. 11.
EUROPA, Alcocks, leaves Boston, Wednesday, Feb. 18.
ASIA, Grade, leaves New-York, Wednesday, Feb. 25.
CANADA, Lott, leaves Boston, Wednesday, March 4.
CHINA, Henderson, leaves New-York, Wednesday, March 11.

Passage money, including provisions, cabin, $100 and $80. Second cabin, $60. Children under 10 years, half passage. Steerage, $30 to Liverpool.

Freight in gold or its equivalent in United States currency.

For freight or passage apply at the office of the Company, No. 4 Bowling-green.

STEAM TO LONDONDERRY, GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.

The Montreal Steamship Company's first-class full-powered Clyde built steamer

MONTREAL, Capt. Bourgeois, carrying the Canadian and United States mails, will sail from Portland next Saturday, Feb. 14, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Rates of passage from New-York—First-class, according to accommodation, $80 and $90; Steerage, found in bedding and provisions, $35. Certificates issued for bringing out passengers from all the principal towns in Great Britain and Ireland at very low rates. For passage apply at No. 22 Broadway, New-York.

BARRY & GARRIGUE, General Agents.

FOR HAVANA.

TO SAIL ON SATURDAY, FEB. 14, at 4 o'clock P. M.

The A. 1 British steamship MELITA, Capt. Conroy, carrying the U. S. Mail, will sail as above, from Pier No. 13, foot of Warren-st.

Office of passage, in current funds, $60.

For freight or passage, apply to CHARLES A. WHITNEY, No. 2 Broadway.

Or at No. 54 South-st.

HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

N. B.—The British steamship SHELDRAKE will follow the MELITA, and sail on or about the 7th of March. Experienced surgeons attached to these steamers.

M. O. ROBERTS' LINE.

STEAMSHIPS TO SAN FRANCISCO AND OREGON, OVER NICARAGUA TRANSIT.

The steamship AMERICA or ILLINOIS will leave for Greytown, the steamship MOSES TAYLOR, at noon, on SATURDAY, March 16, 1863.

For freight or passage apply to P. B. CARRINGTON, No. 177 West-st., corner of Warren.

FOR NICARAGUA, C. A.

The Central American Transit Company will dispatch the next of their monthly line of freight vessels to San Juan del Norte (Greytown), on or about the 24 of February.

The steamer FRANCES, Capt. J. O'DONNELL is on the berth at the foot of Warren-st., N. R.

For freight, apply at the office of the Company, No. 62 Broadway, to JOHN H. BODY.

STEAM WEEKLY TO LIVERPOOL, touching at QUEENSTOWN, (Cork Harbor.) The well-known steamers of the Liverpool, New-York, and Philadelphia Steamship Company are intended to sail as follows:

CITY OF MANCHESTER, Saturday ..... Feb. 14
ETNA, Saturday ..... Feb. 21
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FOR BREMEN VIA SOUTHAMPTON.

Taking passengers to LONDON, HAVRE, SOUTHAMPTON AND BREMEN, at the following rates, payable in gold or its equivalent in currency:

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Passage money to Havana $40
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FOR CAPE OF GOOD HOPE, SINGAPORE, HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI.—The new steamship FOO KIEN will leave New-York Feb. 20 for the above ports, for China, touching at Queenstown, Gibraltar, Malta, Alexandria, Point de Galle, Penang and Singapore. For freight or passage, apply to F. FORBES & CO., Boston, or to Capt. W. C. JOHNSON, Astor House.

WILLIAM C. JOHNSON.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—Passports issued through J. F. NUNES, Notary Public, No. 232 Broadway, corner of Warren-st. Naturalized citizens must produce certificates of naturalization. Army and Navy Pensions, Bounty and Pay procured.

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RAILROADS.

N. Y. AND FLUSHING RAILROAD.

Leave James' Slip Ferry, or Thirty-fourth-st. Ferry, N. Y., at 11 A. M. and 4 P. M.

Leave Flushing at 7.35, 10 A. M. and 3.25, 6.15 P. M.

Freight received at James-slip Ferry. Freight for way-stations must be received before 10 o'clock.

J. S. SOTTOMF, Supt.

P. S.—A special excursion train will be run on Washington's Birthday, leaving Flushing at 10½, and New-York at 11½ P. M. Fare 25 cents.

NEW-YORK, HARLEM & ALBANY R. R. FOR ALBANY, TROY, NORTH AND WEST.

Winter arrangement, commencing Monday, Nov. 11, 1862.

Leave Albany—10.30 A. M. Express Mail Train, from 30th st. station. Returning, leave Albany at 10.30 A. M.

For all local trains, see timetable.

JOHN BURCHILL, Supt.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD—CHANGE OF TERMINUS.—Passenger Depot at James-slip and foot 34th-st., E. R.

WINTER ARRANGEMENTS—Commencing FRIDAY, Oct. 3, 1862, trains will leave Flushing at 7 A. M., for Greenport, Sag Harbor, Orient and Hunts.

Also at 8 A. M. and 4 P. M. for Syosset.

Also at 4 P. M. for Hempstead.

At 7 A. M., 3 P. M., for Jamaica.

On Sunday, a special train will leave Hunter's Point, 34th-st. ferry, at 8 A. M., for Yaphank and intermediate stations, at reduced rates. Returning, leaves Yaphank at 3.30 P. M.

On Friday and Saturday nights, the 11 P. M. freight train will run through to Greenport, returning Saturday and Monday mornings, at 4.15 A. M., arriving in New-York at 2.30 A. M.

ERIE RAILWAY.—PASSENGER TRAINS leave foot of Chambers-st.

7 A. M.—Express for Buffalo.
8 P. M.—Mail, daily, for Otisville.
4 P. M.—Accommodation, daily, for Port Jervis.
3.30 P. M.—Way, for Middletown, Newburgh, and Warwick.
6 P. M.—Night Express, daily, for Dunkirk, Buffalo, Cleveland and principal stations. Train of Saturday runs through to Buffalo, but does not run to Dunkirk.

CHAS. MINOT, General Superintendent.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.—FOR ALBANY, TROY, THE NORTH AND WEST.

Trains leave

FROM CHAMBERS-ST.	FROM THIRTIETH-ST.
Express, 4 and 10 A. M.	7 A. M., 10.30 A. M., and 3.30 P. M.
3.45 and 6 P. M.	2.45 and 6 P. M. (Sundays only.)
Troy and Albany, (with sleeping cars,) 12.30 P. M.	10.45 P. M.

JAMES H. SMITH, Superintendent.

RARITAN AND DELAWARE BAY RAILROAD.—On and after Monday, Feb. 2, the new and fast steamer THOMAS COLYER will leave New-York, foot of Murray-st., at 4 A. M. for Long Branch, Manchester and intermediate stations, connecting with the Camden and Atlantic Railroad, to Camden and other points on that road; at 4 P. M., for Long Branch, Red Bank, Manchester and intermediate stations.

NORTHERN RR. OF N. JERSEY.—TRAINS leave Jersey City for Piermont and Nyack, 8.15, 10 A. M. and 4.30 P. M.; for Piermont, 12.15 and 6.45 P. M. Sundays, 4.45 A. M. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Sup't.

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FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD AND SPRINGFIELD.—Steamers leave Peck-slip, at 4 P. M. Passengers go north from New-Haven at 11 o'clock P. M., or remain on board over night without charge.

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These matches are made without sulphur, and being free from disagreeable odor, are safe, very pleasant, but almost indispensable for use in the parlor and sleeping chamber. They are put up in fancy colored boxes and small packages for family use, and are also carefully packed in cases for transportation. For sale wholesale and retail by JAMES S. DEY, No. 36 Cortlandt-st., New-York.

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SIXTH WEEK.

QUEEN OF COMEDY AND SONG,

MRS. JOHN WOOD,

A new version of Blanchard's Fairy Extravaganza, THE FAIR ONE WITH THE GOLDEN LOCKS, compiled and revised by Mr. Charles Walcot, Sen., in which Mrs. JOHN WOOD will appear in three new parts, one of decided the best and most important of any single character in the original piece. All the charming language and sentiments have been retained, and new characters and incidents introduced, with a view of giving extended range to her inimitable talent.

MR. WALCOT, Sen., as ..... THE KING.

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will sustain a speaking part.

Splendid new scenery, mechanical dresses and decorations, new musical selections, &c., &c.

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With an excellent cast of characters, a powerful chorus and numerous corps de ballet.

To commence with the Operatic of

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Office open from 9 A. M. till 4 P. M. Seats can be secured ten days in advance.

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BEGIN AT 8—OVER AT 11.

THIS EVENING, FRIDAY,
THIRD TIME THIS SEASON,
Morton's celebrated Comedy,
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Received by thunding audiences with the loudest applause and laughter.

Mr. Lester Wallack	Mr. Rose
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SATURDAY, the highly successful Comedy,

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Will be given for the third time.

MONDAY, (never acted here,) the celebrated Comedy,

MARRIED LIFE.

TUESDAY,

MRS. HOEY'S BENEFIT.

Box office open for any of the above evenings, from 8 to 4 o'clock.

In rehearsal, THE MAGIC MARRIAGE.

To be rehearsed, "Money," "A Bold Stroke for a Husband," "The Irish Hatter," "O Lord, Mr. Murphy," "The Provoked Husband" "The School for Scandal," "The Road to Ruin," and "Pauline."

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EXTRA NOTICE.

BENEFIT OF MRS. HOEY.

Mrs. Hoey begs to announce that her Benefit will take place on TUESDAY AFTERNOON next, Feb. 17.

Box book now open.

BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

GERMAN OPERA.

CARL ANSCHUTZ ..... Director.

SATURDAY EVENING, FEB. 14,

Grand Opera in three acts,

DER FREISCHÜTZ.

By C. M. VON WEBER.

THE ARION SOCIETY

Have kindly consented to assist in the Grand Choruses.

Lemora,	Mme. Johnson;
Marcolina,	Mme. Rotter;
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Reserved seats, 75 cents, can be had at the Academy; parquette 50 cents; family circle 25 cents.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—ITALIAN OPERA.

The grand HAVANA OPERA COMPANY, Under the direction of MAX MARETZEK, will commence a season of Italian Opera ON MONDAY.

BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

FRIDAY EVENING, Feb. 20,

GRAND PROMENADE CONCERT

By the ELEVENTH REGIMENT BAND.

Conductor ..... F. RUTEL.

Full particulars in future advertisements.

GERMAN OPERA HOUSE.

No. 323 Broadway.

Director ..... Carl Anschutz

FRIDAY EVENING, Feb. 13,

First Opera Night.

MASON AND LOCKSMITH.

Comic Opera, in three acts,

DIE MAURER UND SCHLOSSER.

Nachmann ..... Johannes, Hans, Mad. Schlosser, and Mesdm. Quink, Lotti, Weinlich and Graff, will appear in the principal roles.

SUNDAY EVENING, Feb. 15,

GRAND SACRED CONCERT.

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U. S. GOVERNMENT SALE.

SIMEON DRAPER, Auctioneer,

WILL SELL

By order of the Ordnance Department,

ON FRIDAY, 13th February,

AT 12 O'CLOCK NOON,

4,250 BLACK WALNUT GUN STOCKS.

Terms of Sale—Cash on delivery.

A sample of the goods can be seen at the Office of the Auctioneer, No. 38 Pine-st.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO., Auctioneers.

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at auction, on SATURDAY, Feb. 14, at 10½ o'clock, at the salerooms, No. 32 Maiden-la., bonded goods, consisting of Brussels, Imperial Ingrain carpets, hair mattresses, bolsters and pillows, black walnut secretary bookcase, arm chairs in crimson rep, black walnut extension dining-table, oak cane-seat chairs, mahogany falling-leaf table, round do., glass shower, sewing machines, rocking-horses, crockery, glass, and plated ware; also about 80 auction and modern oil-paintings in rich gilt frames.

H. H. LEEDS, Auctioneer.

FOR SALE.—A HOUSE AND LOT ELIGIBLY situated on Cross-avenue, in the village of Sing Sing, Westchester County, at public auction, on SATURDAY, Feb. 14, 1863, at 1 o'clock P. M. The lot is 100 by 200 feet deep, with an abundance of fruit; the house is 23 by 32 feet, with an addition adjoining 15 by 15 feet, two stories, with basement and attic, containing 14 rooms, all in fine condition; never failing water on the premises. Terms easy. Inquire of Mr. JAMES PINE, on the premises, or of H. H. LEEDS, Auctioneer.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES

SALE OF THOROUGHBRED STOCK

AT

NEW-ORLEANS,

On MONDAY, Feb. 23, 1863,

The following thoroughbred horses, formerly the property of

DUNCAN F. KENNER,

PANIC, by GLENCOE, bay horse, 6 years old. This horse is one of the best racers that ever existed. He has Wellwood two-mile heats and Lightning three-mile heats; and ran a four-mile heat last Winter, on the Metairie Course, close to 7m. 30s. Ten thousand dollars was offered to Kenner for him, and refused.

WHALE, by VULTURE, a bay stallion, 11 years old; a special sire—winner at all distances—pastor was sired by Sarah.

BAY STALLION, 4 years old, by Vulture, dam of Mollen. This colt has never barked. In training, he has shown great speed in training.

GRAY FILLY, by Whale, 3 years. Has never started, but shows great speed in training.

BAY FILLY, by Whale, 3 years; never started, but has shown great speed in training.

IMP. CHESTNUT FILLY, by Slane, 3 years; never started.

IMP. BAY FILLY, by Bellrock, 3 years; never started.

CHESTNUT FILLY, by Lexington, 3 years; never started.

CHESTNUT COLT, by Servant, 3 years; never trained.

FRANK CHEATHAM, r. c., by Servant, 4 years.

BLACK MARE, by Servant, 4 years.

Also, the following thoroughbred horses, formerly the property of W. J. MINOR, viz.:

BEN WEST, stallion, by Valdyke, bd by Trustee, 5 years old; winner of one and two mile and heat racing.

CHESTNUT STALLION, Frances, by Lecompte, 7 years.

CASTA DIVA, bay mare, by Vul

The New-York Times, Friday, February 13, 1863.

HOSPITALITY FROM PORT ROYAL.

A Reconnoissance of the Opposite Defences by Generals Hunter and Foster.

Probable Combined Land and Naval Attack.

The Monitor Passaic Waiting for the Ram Fingal in Warsaw Sound.

The Montauk Preparing for Another Attack on Fort McAllister.

Order from Gen. Hunter Deferring the Sale of Confiscated Lands.

From Our Special Correspondent.

PORT ROYAL, Monday, Feb. 10, 1863.

Last Wednesday morning Major-Gens. HUNTER and FOSTER, accompanied by Brig.-Gens. SEYMOUR, NAGLEE and FOSTER, and the officers of their respective staffs, made a tour of reconnoissance, on board of the steamboat *John Farron*, to inspect the localities around Fort McAllister, on the Ogeechee, with a view of determining what land cooperation might be necessary to assist the naval attack on that stronghold. First visiting Fort Pulaski, which they found occupied by the Forty-eighth New-York Regiment, together with detachments of the Third Rhode Island Regiment and Volunteer Engineers, the little steamer, with her precious freight on board, then passed up the serpentine bends of Laraxette Creek, until she emerged into Warsaw Sound, crossing which to the northwest, she found the monitor *Passaic* and two gunboats lying at anchor, cleared for action, and in the momentary expectation of the appearance of the ram *Fingal*, which Commander DRAYTON, of the *Passaic*, said he was hourly expecting, his information being clear and positive that the *Fingal*, now called the *State of Georgia*, has been coated, fully manifoned, and is ready to start at any moment that her preparations should be complete. Passing through Warsaw Sound, the *John Farron* next plunged into the narrow, crooked and dangerous ribband of water which flows through the Rangey Marshes, connecting Warsaw with Ossabaw Sound. Going up Ossabaw, they saw two gunboats anchored before the new silent rebel batteries of Skidaway Island, and could count the tents of two rebel regiments encamped in the woods behind the fort. Entering Adam's Creek, they wound along until they reached our fleet, consisting of the *Montauk*, the *Seneca* and other gunboats, while just beyond, around a bend of the river, was Fort McAllister. The *Montauk* showed on her bow, sides, deck and turret, evidence that she had been actively engaged with the enemy, although no great harm was done to any part of her. Her smoke-stack, however, was hit half-a-dozen times, and the top of it is much shattered and full of holes, from a shell which burst while passing through.

Commander WORDEN realizes in his appearance and conversation more of the hero than any officer I have yet seen. His powerful and overhanging brows, deep-set, animated eyes, sharp, earnest features, and heavy, brown whiskers, all become instinct with earnestness and animation when he speaks of the enemy. Unlike most of his fellows, the sad experiences of the last year and a half have wholly failed to crush out of him his eager enthusiasm and confiding belief in the absolute invincibility of our cause. During the whole fight with Fort McAllister, while shot and shell rained down upon the *Montauk's* turret and burst in splintering fragments over her deck, Capt. WORDEN remained outside, in order to have a better view of the effect of the fire of his 15-inch gun, not, however, exposing himself uselessly, but *taking shelter behind the turret whenever the fire became too heavy.*

The Generals, having had a long conference with Commander WORDEN and Commander GRESOR, of the *Seneca*, returned to their own vessel, but a violent storm prevented their departure for Port Pulaski, and they were compelled to remain at anchor all Wednesday night, opposite the *Montauk*. On Thursday morning early they started for Hilton Head, arriving at a late hour in the afternoon. Immediately on their return, they had a protracted interview with Admiral DUPONT and Capt. ROGERS, his Chief of Staff, the purport of which has not transpired.

STIRRING UP THE SUTLERS.

Lieut.-Col. J. F. HALL, of the Volunteer Engineers, formerly of the well-known music firm of HALL & SON, of Broadway, has recently been appointed Provost-Marshal of the Department, and the business of the office is undergoing a thorough overhauling. By direction of Gen. HUNTER, Col. HALL is now devoting himself to regulating the affairs of the sutlers, itinerant venders and traders of every description, with which the post has been overstocked, and at whose hands the soldiers, in many instances, have suffered the grossest extortions. It is found that while regular sutlers are restrained by law to a strict code of prices that will prevent exorbitant imposition upon the soldiers, and are further restricted so that they cannot sell to an enlisted man, during any month, more than will amount to a sixth of his pay, that the tradesmen here, some of whom represent the offscourings of the grog-shops of New-York, Boston and Philadelphia, have been charging prices three or five times greater than would be charged at the best stores on Broadway. This is done, notwithstanding that they have been given the free use of the land they occupy, and have not been compelled to pay a tribute to the Post Treasurer's funds, which is exacted of regular sutlers, for the benefit of soldiers, the establishment of libraries, the purchase of extra luxuries for the sick and wounded, and for giving presents to wives and orphans of soldiers stricken down in battle. To such an extent have these harpies carried on their depredations that it is found that more than one-half of the whole vast amount of money which the United States Payrolls are brought down on the last trip of the steamer *Arago* will be swallowed up in paying the demands of their cupidity. Under a peculiar order establishing Councils of Administration at all the posts of this Department, to regulate the prices, much good has been already effected. Several establishments have been closed, and two of the sutlers having been found guilty of repeated complaints of selling intoxicating liquors to the soldiers, have been summarily ordered North. A third, against whom it was proved that he had sold liquor by the barrel to the troops on James Island, during the critical operations of last June at that point, and who subsequently brought a bill of damages to the amount of $20,000 against the United States for having been checked in this sale and ordered to return to Hilton Head, has also received notice that he will not be permitted to stay, and must sail elsewhere in his ship, which might truly be called the *Golden Fleece*—especially the fleece. It is but just to say that some of these tradesmen are of a different character, and, unlike the other unholy traffickers, will not be compelled to find "fresh fields and pastures new."

THE SALE OF CONFISCATED LANDS DEFERRED.

I send herewith an important order issued to-day, prohibiting the sale of the Sea Islands for unpaid taxes. Gen. HUNTER was mainly moved to issue this order by ascertaining that a combination had been made for the purchase of these lands, now chiefly occupied by the troops, which would probably have been sold at rates averaging from one hundred to one hundred and fifty dollars a Statistian, that being the amount of the direct taxation. Of course, the purchasers would immediately have it in their power to charge rents for the land occupied by the troops and dependentes of the United States, and there would soon have been a consumation of heavy bills to the Quartermaster's Department, for the necessary lots consumed by the soldiers, for the houses that are occupied, for lumber and all other productions required for army purposes. There are a great many other good reasons on the part of Gen. HUNTER for taking this step, and it will give very general satisfaction to be here and at the North.

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT OF THE SOUTH, HILTON HEAD, PORT ROYAL, S. C., Feb. 7, 1863.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 9.—In view of the military necessities of this Department, which require all the lands now held within our posts and lines for the use of the soldiers and the support of the colored population, and in further view of legislation now pending, all sales of lands which have become forfeited to the United States by reason of the non-payment of the direct taxes charged thereon, under the Act entitled "An Act to provide increased revenue from imports, to pay interest on the public debt and for other purposes," approved August 5, 1861, and an Act entitled "An Act for the collection of direct taxes in insurrectionary districts within the United States, and for other purposes," approved June 7, 1862, are hereby suspended; and all advertising of said lands and all steps looking to the sale of the same shall cease until the pleasure of the Government to the premises shall be made known. By command of

Maj.-Gen. DAVID HUNTER.

CHAS. G. HALPINE, Assistant Adjutant-General.

DISMISSED THE SERVICE.

At a General Court-martial, convened here on the 16th of December last, of which Col. EDWIN MERCALLY, of the Third Rhode Island Artillery, was President, Capt. JOHN E. WILDER, of the Third New-Hampshire Volunteers, was tried on the charge of conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline and disobedience of orders, and having been found guilty on all the specifications except one, was sentenced to be dismissed the service. Capt. ISAAC G. ATWOOD, of the First New-York Volunteer Engineers, tried at the same Court, on the charge of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, was found guilty of all the specifications, and received similar sentence. The proceedings and findings of the Court have since been approved by Gen. HUNTER.

CHANGE IN THE QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

Capt. A. E. FULLER, who for some months has managed, with great business tact, the affairs of the Quartermaster's Department here, has been relieved by Lieut.-Col. J. J. ELWELL, who is announced as the Chief Quartermaster of the Department, and who arrived last week in the *Arago*. Col. ELWELL formerly held the position of Quartermaster at this post, but lost Fall returned to the North, entirely prostrated by severe illness. He now comes back with health restored, and is heartily welcomed at his old quarters.

REGULAR COMMUNICATION WITH THE NORTH.

The military and other residents at this port are much gratified with the establishment of a regular communication with the North by means of so splendid a steamer as the *Arago*. Capt. GORDON, her Commander, and all the officers of the *Arago*, are gentlemen who are always ready to do anything for the accommodation of those who may have intercourse with them. The *Arago* brought from New-York last week the heaviest and bulkiest cargo she has ever conveyed to Hilton Head—something like 1,000 tons—returning in eleven days from the day of her departure from this harbor. H. J. W.

P. S.—A Savannah paper just received here gives an account of the attack upon Fort McAllister by the *Montauk*. The Commander of the Fort was killed together with many of the garrison, and one gun was dismantled. The attack will be resumed. It is understood, after a supply of ammunition can be sent down to the fleet. H. J. W.

ORDER RELATING TO PASSES, ETC.

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT OF THE SOUTH, HILTON HEAD, PORT ROYAL, S. C., Feb. 9, 1863.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 10.—SEC. 1. All persons not in the military or naval service of the United States, residing within any of the military lines or posts of this Department, are hereby notified to appear before the Provost-Marshal of the Post or Military District in which they live, and to obtain from him a pass, certifying them to be loyal persons of approved character, who have taken the oath of allegiance, and who have competent authority for remaining within the military lines of this Department.

SEC. 2. All persons found without such passes five days after the promulgation of this Order at each Post in the Department, will be arrested by the Provost Guard and reported to Post Headquarters for disposition.

SEC. 3. All Provost-Marshals, before issuing any such passes as herein before provided for, will register the name, business and birthplace of each applicant, setting forth on the face of the pass his or her height, age, complexion, and the usual particulars of identification; and the Provost-Marshal will notify all persons carrying on trade within the posts of this Department, who are not the regularly authorized sutlers of regiments, that they are here and carrying on business in violation of law and regulations, and *that they must forthwith procure permits to trade* within the military posts and lines of this command, signed by the honorable the Secretary of War, or by the Major-General Commanding, or by the present commander of the post in which they carry on such business—this order not applying to such tradesmen as keep stores on plantations outside of military posts, under permits granted to them by Brig.-Gen. RUFUS SAXTON.

SEC. 4. Provost-Marshals will forward to these Headquarters copies of the registry made of all citizens within their respective Districts, setting forth all the particulars called for in Section 1 of this Order, stating under what circumstances, if original residents, and by what authority, if immigrants from the North, such persons claim to have remained or to have come within our lines.

SEC. 5. Commanding Officers of Posts and Military Districts are requested to give their best care to the strict enforcement of the provisions of this Order, it being clear that many persons are improperly at large within the limits of the Department, and the nature of our verrous posts rendering communication with the enemy extremely easy.

SEC. 6. The Commanding General having received information that furniture and other property captured from the enemy has been shipped from this port without orders or permission from competent authority, he therefore directs the Provost-Marshal to examine all vessels before they leave the harbor, and no vessel will be cleared by the Custom-house until a certificate is shown that it has been previously examined and cleared by the Provost-Marshal.

SEC. 7. The Provost-Marshals at the several posts in this Department are charged with seeing that these orders are complied with.

By command of Maj.-Gen. DAVID HUNTER.

CHAS. G. HALPINE, Ass't Adj.-Gen.

OUR NASSAU CORRESPONDENCE.

Activity of Trade with Charleston—The Orato or Florida—Bacchus in Command—A Perilous Conflagration.

NASSAU, N. P., Saturday, Jan. 31, 1863.

Since my last communication, nothing of importance has occurred until within the past week. The secession trade is full as brisk as it has been at any time during the war. There are now about forty steamers and sailing vessels, of a large class, in our port, with cargoes for the rebels, and besides these our warehouses are all full of goods for the same market. The rebel steamers *Herald* (now the *Antonica*) and *Lecherd* run as regular between this port and Charleston, as the Sound boats do between New-York and Boston. They carry over arms, ammunition, and any supplies generally, and bring back full cargoes of cotton for the European market. The steamer *Douglass* has left here twice and returned, the first time not having been able to get in on account of thick weather. She probably succeeded the second time, as it is time for her return if unsuccessful.

On Monday last the private steamer *Oreto* came into our harbor, cooled by permission of the Governor, and sailed the next day, having been allowed to remain here about thirty hours. She is commanded by Capt. MAYNE. Her officers are very young—I should judge none of them to be over eighteen or twenty. I saw no two uniforms alike among the men, and the boat was decidedly shabby. She mounts ten large guns, but has not a full crew to work them. Thirteen of her crew left her here, and gave as a reason for their leaving, that *the Captain had not seen a sober day for four months.* He kept up his reputation well while here. Her crew report having burned four sugar and molasses-laden vessels since they left Mobile, and landed their crews in Havana.

Yesterday, the Anglo-rebel bark *Intrepid* was wrecked on the north side of Hog Island, and directly in front of the town. She has been anchored there for some time, and the Captain, fearing a Norther, tried to get under way from her anchorage, when she missed stays and went on the rocks in shore and bilged. She has a full cargo of assorted goods, which is valued at $250,000, all badly damaged. The wreckers are hard at work saving what they can.

Our Supreme Court is now in session. On Thursday last, two natives were tried on a charge of having acted as pilots on board our gunboats cruising about the Bahamas. They were both convicted, and sentenced, each to two years' imprisonment with hard labor. The first case tried this term was a necession Captain, for the murder of a Mr. SEAFTON, of New-York, by shooting him, as was alleged, accidentally. They managed to get a secession jury, which acquitted him, after being out about twenty minutes.

Yesterday an alarm of fire was given which proved to be a chimney afire in ALGUMAY'S kitchen, which ains his warehouse. There is reported to be about forty tons of loaded shells and ammunition in the warehouse, besides large quantities of other combustible matter, enough, probably, to blow up half of the town.

You have, probably, heard of the loss of the transport ship *Plaster* on Stranger's Cay, with troops and horses for New-Orleans. The Consul observed the ship *Sallie Bonzal* to take them to Key West. Report says the *Oreto* has gone after her. Will let you hear from me again soon. UNION.

Since writing the above the *Herald* has arrived with 800 bales of cotton, and reports all the vessels that have left within the past week to have arrived safe at Charleston.

THE PIRATE ALABAMA.

A Vessel Boarded by Her on the 2d inst.

A REPORT OF HER CAPTURE.

The Hamburg barkentine *Maria Sophia*, Capt. WERZ, arrived last evening, from Cardiff, and reports that on the 2d inst., in lat. 39° 29', lon. 67° 49', she was boarded by an officer from a steam man-of-war, who, after examining the papers, went away. She was an iron screw steamer, with three masts, fore-and-aft-rigged on the lower masts, and three yards across aloft, on fore and mainmast, and has one pipe. Upon approaching she showed a white color, but subsequently she hoisted the American ensign. It was probably the *Alabama*, as it answers her description.

A REPORT OF THE ALABAMA'S CAPTURE.

From a letter addressed to ELLWOOD WALTER, Esq., Secretary of the Board of Underwriters, dated Baltimore, Feb. 11, 1863, we have the following:

The bark *Argos*, Capt. TACKERSON, from Rio Janeiro, which arrived here to-day, reports having spoken, on the 3d of February, in lat. 33° 01', north, lon. 73° 49', brig *Davies*, of Bangor, from a port not named, bound to Portland, the Captain of which informed him that the rebel steamer *Alabama* has been captured.

UNITED STATES SANITARY COMMISSION.

Grand Promenade Concert of the Woman's Relief Association of Brooklyn, at the Academy of Music.

Addresses by Rev. Dr. Bellows and Rev. Dr. Storrs.

The Promenade Concert given to aid the Woman's Relief Association, at the Academy of Music, last evening, was a remarkable success, and must have furnished a most gratifying increase to the means of the Association, which was organized for and has long been engaged in preparing comfortable clothing and other necessaries for the sick and wounded soldiers of the Union army. Notwithstanding the storm, the Academy was crowded by a delightful and delighted audience; the music furnished by the Seventh Regiment Band, under the lead of Mr. E. GARRETT, was excellent, and the old and new flags of the famous Brooklyn Fourteenth, added, in no small degree, to the interest of the occasion. When the music in part first, had been played, S. B. CHITTENDEN, Esq., *ascended the platform upon the stage, and briefly and* appropriately introduced to the audience Rev. Dr. BELLOWS.

The Rev. Doctor, after the applause with which he was greeted, had subsided, told his hearers that it was from no fault of his that the excellent music and agreeable promenade had been stopped—others were responsible for that. He had been delighted with the music, and while listening to it, it had occurred to him that the band was furnishing just what the country needed most at the present time—Union and harmony. (Applause.) He was happy to learn that they had it in Brooklyn, and that the ladies there had gone even beyond their sisters elsewhere in their efforts to aid in bringing back to as so desirable a state of national affairs. He thought the action of the citizens of Brooklyn, and particularly coming together from churches and associations—in combining their efforts for the relief of sick and wounded soldiers—had set a bright example to the people of all parties throughout the land, for them to follow in sustaining the Government, and preserving our country. He considered their action one grand step toward the crushing out of the rebellion, in the glorious example set to those who are frittering away our strength by promoting disunion and discontent among us at the North. So long as we had States working by themselves, instead of uniting to put down the rebellion, we could have little of strength and discontent—a carrying into the North the same spirit which created and was carrying on the rebellion. [Applause.] He believed that it was possible to have secession at home, in a more malignant, a more dangerous form, because secret, than that of our enemies on the open field. [Applause.] He had no doubts about the authorities at Washington, believing that they were doing all they could to put down the rebellion. The danger was not there, it was here in the divisions among ourselves. Be united and enthusiastic in the support of the Government, and he felt sure the rebellion could be crushed in six months. [Applause.] He had heard innuendoes and slanders, telling of a demoralized army. They were without foundation. The demoralization was not in the army—it was here at home. [Applause.] There were also grumblers about the way the Government provided for the sick and wounded in the hospitals. He believed he knew something of how they were treated, and he was prepared to say there was not a Government in the world that took as good care of the sick and wounded as ours. The Sanitary Commission and kindred organizations had done a great deal, but all they had done or could do, however valuable it was, was not a drop in the bucket, compared with what the Government does. Leaving that branch of his subject, he came to a consideration of the causes of the apathy which he had perceived frequently in his travels among the people in relation to the war, and when he saw so much of it among and even about him, he confessed that he sometimes thought the cause lay in the fact that the horrors of a failure upon our part had not yet been brought sufficiently near home to us to rouse us to the necessary pitch of patriotism and enthusiasm. He had received a letter lately from a lady of South Carolina, who was a very estimable woman until she grew naughty and became a rebel. That lady had the impertinence to write to him in the first place, "What a noble rebel you would have been if the Indies—in you had only been born South." And then she went on to say that she had been to a party the other evening. It was true there were no carpets on the floor, and that some of the women wore carpet shoes, and dresses of materials they had not been accustomed to use for dresses—"but" said she, "they all looked like heroines, glad as they were." That was the feeling he thought required cultivation here with us—to bear cheerfully any inconvenience or loss, so long as by doing so we were aiding the Government in putting down our enemies. To the present time he felt ashamed to say, that the most cordial support of the Government did not come from what he supposed to be most able to give it; and he fell that those of us, who live in luxury must look out—or those called poor, the workingmen, the Democrats of the land would carry our banners forward out of our sight, fight our battles and save our country, without us. We must all arouse to the importance of the occasion—not a doubt should be suffered to arise as to the result, and the result would most assuredly be a success.

The Rev. Dr.'s remarks were loudly applauded, which he had paused, that the audience might have time to cool a little, and with smoking effect of [illegible] he claimed that we wanted more intensity of feeling and enthusiasm in support of the Government, and he felt sure that would have been the result on the Northern, if it took the longer to become thoroughly aroused to the necessity of putting forth our strength; when once aroused, he carried all before him. That there was nothing wanting, and he had no doubt of the result. Let all secession, he said, be work would soon be done. Let some distance, for secession was a device of the devil through which to work mischief. Let all be courageous, knowing that God had not built up a Government like ours to have it broken now. (Great applause.)

When the speech had finished, the curtain rose, the audience resumed their seats, and the concert and promenade proceeded, and continued until a late hour.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE HOMICIDE OF THOMAS BYRNES.

Trial of Dennis P. Sullivan for Murder.

COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER.

Before Justice W. E. Leonard.

FOURTH DAY.

At the opening of the Court, yesterday morning, Ex-Recorder JAMES M. SMITH, commenced the summing up for the defence. Although at the adjournment of the Court, on Wednesday, it was agreed that counsel on both sides should confine themselves to two hours each, yet Mr. SMITH occupied upward of four hours. It being nearly 3 o'clock when he closed his argument, Judge LEONARD adjourned the Court to 10 o'clock this morning, when the District-Attorney will sum up for the people and the case will be given to the jury under the charge of the Court.

The summing up of Mr. SMITH was a very able and eloquent effort. He reviewed the evidence in detail, as well as all the circumstances connected with the affray in which Mr. BYRNES lost his life, and claimed that the prisoner was entirely justified in everything he did in connection with the transaction, and was entitled to a prompt and full acquittal at the hands of the jury.

Free Academy Junior Exhibition.

Irving Hall overflowed with the youth, beauty, fashion, and better class of the Metropolis, last evening, on the occasion of the Free Academy Junior Exhibition. The occasion demonstrated, as it always does, that we are emphatically a talking people. No less than thirteen addresses were made by the young students, listened to and rapturously applauded by as good-natured and impartial an audience as ever sat down to an intellectual feast. They applauded about everything—including the man who brought on the stage a pitcher of water. The following was the programme:

Music—Overture.....Zampa.
Music.....Prayer.
Music.....Grand Fest March.
1. Oration—The Heart of the Oak—Ephraim A. Jacobs.
2. Oration—Administrative Genius—Wm. L. Bull.
Music.....Operatic selection.
3. Oration—The Altar of Progress—Clinton J. Hartt.
4. Oration—Reminiscences of Harper's Ferry—Robert Alton.
5. Oration—Personal Purity the Basis of Political Virtue—Henry H. Bawden.
Music.....Mentier Polka.
6. Oration—Glories of the Age on the Young Men of America—John A. Clarkson.
7. Poem—The Star of the Union—David Levenritz.
8. Oration—The God of Battles—Sigmund Spingarn.
Music.....Partant pour la Syrie.
9. Oration—The Legion of Honor—Frederic B. Noyes.
10. Oration—Universal Brotherhood—Luther M. Fuller.
11. Oration—Self-sacrifice the Essence of Chivalry—George F. Demarest.
Music.....Home, Sweet Home.
12. Oration—The Moral Influence of England, Edward Lauterbach.
13. Oration—The Youth of Milton, Frederic D. Ward.
Music.....Walhalla Quickstep.
Benediction.
Music.....College Songs.

HARVEY B. DOWNING, Chief of Orchestra.

Mr. JACOBS' "Heart of Oak" was well delivered apotheosis of New-England and love of country. Mr. BULL'S "Administrative Genius" complimented Gens. BUTLER and MCCLELLAN, and said, that as yet in this crisis "no one man has stood forth as the ruling spirit of the age." Mr. HARTT'S "Altar of Progress" demonstrated, from history that national sufferings and sacrifices are the price of national progress. It was well delivered. ROBERT ALTON'S "Reminiscences of Harper's Ferry" detailed the part of the Twelfth Regiment, of this City, in the disgraceful surrender of Harper's Ferry to JACKSON. The speaker was a member of the Twelfth, and exonerated the rank and file of the army from the responsibility of the defeat. HENRY H. BAWDEN argued that all our political corruption is traceable to the laxity of morals among the people. JOHN A. CLARKSON, who was rewarded with the first bouquet of the evening, showed how much *the country has to ask of the rising generation.* Mr. LEVENTRITT'S Poem, the only one of the evening, was easy and flowing in style, highly patriotic and quite effectively delivered. Mr. SIGMUND SPINGARN gave *a highly moral idea of the conception of a God of* Battles. His delivery was quite spirited. Mr. FREDERIC B. NOYES received a most flattering welcome at the hands of his fellow students, and his oration, DEMAREST, LAUTERBACH and WARD, who made up the balance of the programme, doubtless equalled their predecessors.

The following young gentlemen composed the Committee of Arrangements: John S. White, Chairman; Charles A. Flammer, John H. N. Glassford, Theodore Granbury, Erasmus D. Hudson, Jr., Isaac S. Kingsland, Eugene Meeks. Grand Marshal—Vincenz Lesquillier. Deputy Marshals—John M. Betts, William R. Cragin.

The Light Guard Ball.

In spite of the unfavorable weather of yesterday, the Light Guard Ball, which was held last night at the Academy of Music, was attended by a very large number of ladies and gentlemen. The decorations of the room were chaste and elegant. At the east end, suspended from an American shield, were the colors of the company, entwined with the war-flag of the Seventy-first Regiment. Below, in gas-jets, occupying the centre of the stage, was an inverted arm wielding a battle-axe, and beneath this a scroll, with the words, "Light Guard," and again another, containing the figures 1857. Under this design was placed a brass field piece, with pyramids of shot on either side, and stacks of muskets, surmounted with the bear-skin cap of the "Tigers." Suspended from the first tier were light wire cages with canary birds, who chattered away at each other like as many well-behaved idiots. Reaching to the dome from all parts of the ceiling were red, white and blue streamers. The order of dancing comprised twenty-five selections, and an equal number of marches, the music being performed by DODWORTH'S Brass Band. The gentlemen who comprised the Committee were evidently unaccustomed to the kind of thing which they had to do last night, and were to be found in all parts of the house anxiously inquiring the way to the Committee room; but we concluded the Committee was not of much account anyhow, as everybody seemed to get along very well without them. In respect to [illegible], the ball was very much like other balls. Mr. T. F. HARRISON had charge of the supper-rooms, and Mr. MOREY, of Wallack's, the house. The arrangements for the carriages were the same as those at the big wedding of the little couple, that is, each driver was ticketed; it is a good plan, and might be made use of advantageously on all such occasions.

Funeral of Rev. Dr. Cutler.

The funeral of Rev. Dr. CLARK CUTLER, late rector of St. Ann's Church, will take place at the church, at 1 o'clock, this afternoon. Dr. CUTLER was one of the oldest Episcopal clergymen of Brooklyn, having been pastor of St. Ann's Church for over thirty years. He was very zealous in the cause of Sunday schools, and was universally beloved for his many Christian virtues, and for the fidelity with which he performed the duties connected with his calling. At a meeting of the members of St. Ann's Church, held on Wednesday evening, resolutions extolling his Christian virtues and sympathizing with his family, were adopted.

The remains of Dr. CUTLER will be interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

Trinity (Brooklyn) Choir Rehearsal.

The third public rehearsal given by the choir of the Church of the Holy Trinity, under the conduct of Mr. GEO. WM. WARREN, came off on Tuesday evening in the presence of a large and fashionable audience.

The soloists were Mrs. J. W. Comstock, Miss Julia W. Starr, Miss Amanda C. Smith and Messrs. Comstock, S. D. Mayer, Charles S. Huntington, J. C. Woodman and W. V. Noe. Everything was rendered in the most perfect style, eliciting the warmest encomiums from the audience and reflecting great credit upon the performers and their skillful conductor, Mr. WARREN.

The Gen. Hancock and Sixty-eighth New-York Regiment Off for Baltimore.

This regiment, Col. BROWN commanding, left the Park Barracks, for Baltimore, yesterday evening. Their appearance, when drawn up in line, opposite the City Hall, a short time previous to their departure, attracted the attention of a large number of people. The men look hardy, and every way capable of enduring the fatigue of the field. From Baltimore they will proceed to Yorktown Monroe, thence probably to Suffolk.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE—ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—The annual election of officers and Committees of the American Institute was held yesterday at the rooms of the Institute, Cooper Union Building, the polls being open from 9 to 7 o'clock P. M. The following gentlemen were elected without opposition: President, Wm. HALL; Vice-Presidents, Dudley S. Gregory, Edward Walker, Sylvester Comstock; Recording Secretary, Thomas McElrath; Corresponding Secretary, John Torrey; Treasurer, Benedict Lewis, Jr.; Finance Committee, Thomas H. Adriance, John M. Reed, Wm. S. Slocum, Thomas Williams, Jr., George Peyton. Besides the above there were twenty-four managers of the Fair elected, and Committees on Library, Agriculture, Manufactures, Science and Art, Commerce, Admission of Members, Correspondence, and Repository—five members each.

ANOTHER PRIZE.—The United States District Attorney yesterday filed a libel against the prize-bark *Springbok*, of London, which was captured by the United States steamer *Seneca*, off Nassau, on the 31st inst., while attempting to run the blockade. The *Springbok* arrived here on Wednesday, and has a valuable cargo, consisting of dry goods, tea, coffee, drugs, boots, shoes, &c.

ARREST OF A POLICEMAN ON A CHARGE OF PERJURY.—JOHN W. JONES, a Police Officer of the Fifth Precinct, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Officer DOWNES, of the Lower Police Court, upon the charge of perjury made against him by AUGUST KEPNER, an ex-policeman of the same Ward. Justice CONNOLLY held the accused to bail in $500.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

THE EASTERN DISTRICT PIERS.—Some time since the Brooklyn Common Council passed resolutions appropriating certain sums for the erection of piers at the foot of South Seventh, South Fourth and North Sixth streets, Eastern District, the object being to afford accommodation for the shipping interest. It appears, however, that the property owners along the docks object to the proposed improvements, and yesterday notified the Mayor that any attempt on the part of the city to build the piers would be resisted.

KINGS COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT—GENERAL TERM.—Feb. 12.—Nos. 50, 60, 61, 62, 64, 66, 67, 68, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 80, 81, 82, 14.

(Advertisement.)

SOLDIERS TO THE RESCUE!—Young men, rushing into the exposures and dangers of a soldier's life, should prepare themselves for the fatal fevers, the dysentery, the sores and scurvy which are almost certain to follow. HOLLOWAY'S PILLS, used occasionally during the campaign, will insure sound health to every man. Only 25 cents per box. 214

(Advertisement.)

PHRENOLOGY IN BROOKLYN.—FOWLER & WELLS will continue their lectures on Phrenology and Physiology at the new Temperance Hall, corner Fulton and Pierrepont streets, every evening during the week. Doors open at 7, to commence at 8 o'clock. Tickets 25c., or Six tickets for $1. Phrenological examinations daily at No. 308 Broadway.

(Advertisement.)

HERRING'S Patent Champion Fire-Proof Safes, and Hazard's new Patent Burglar-proof Safes, with Hinman & Floyd's Patent Crystalized Iron—the only safes pronounced fire-proof by United States Court—at No. 251 Broadway, New-York.

Passengers Arrived.

By steamship Arago, from Hilton Head.—Capt. C. E. Fuller, Mr. Darling, Mrs. A. Clifton, Mr. Downer, Dr. H. S. Brown, U. S. N., Mr. W. W. Cattonce, E. Kendrick, Lieut. V. H. Brown, Mr. Newman, Wm. Fyle, W. Cortlan, Mr. Gibbs, J. Martin, Mr. Howard, D. Bryant and family, J. Tamer, Mr. Smith, J. R. Taylor, Lieut. Henry, Lieut. Beasley, Lieut. J. C. Carey, Lieut. Sanger, E. Beard, D. Boston, Quartermaster's Department, A. D. Lee, J. R. Scott, Mr. Spaulding, R. M. Robinson, E. Wood, James Walker, Mr. Gomez, C. H. Furnell, Lieut. G. Edwards, L. Conde, Dr. Weight, Acting-Master Ormond, Rev. Dr. Strickland, Mr. Keeler, F. Church, L. D. Brown, Col. Samson, Lieut. G. W. Bailey, Lieut. D. Bailey, Lieut. F. A. Kitchen, Lieut. C. S. Districks, and 40 in the second cabin.

MEMORANDA.

MEMORANDA OF THIS DAY.

Sun rises.... 6 57 | Sun sets.... 5 35 | Moon rises.... 3 48
Sandy Hook. 8 15 | Gov. Island.. 4 14 | Hell Gate.. 5 56

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....THURSDAY, Feb. 12.

Cleared.

Ships Twilight, Gates, Mystic, W. T. Coleman & Co.; Santa Anna, Bates, Bristol, Eng., H. P. & H. H. Throckmorton; Sirio, (Hanov.) Claussen, Antwerp, W. F. Schaff & Son.

Barks Reindeer, Wellington, Barbados, H. Trowbridge's Sons; Charlotte Santa, (Norw.) Salvesen, Havre, Boyd & Hincken.

Brigs Robert Bruce, (Br.) Crowell, Matamoras, Oliver K. King; Abilene, Nelson, Arecio, P. R., H. J. & C. A. De Wolf; Edith Ann, (Br.) Churchill, St. Kitts, B. R. De Wolf; S. R. Allen, Baker, Belmont, S. W. Lewis & Co.; Angelo McKill, (Br.) McDonald, Bayonne, Tynes & Smith.

Schooners Wabash, Wicks, Washington, Jonas Smith; Caroline Fox, Philadelphia, J. W. McKee; E. A. Elliott, Grant, Washington, Van Brunt & Slack; White Fawn, Millett, Baltimore, L. Kenny; Tigris, (Br.) Shaw, Sisal, B. R. De Wolf; R. F. Stockton, Van Cleef, Washington; Howard, Baker, Boston, S. W. Lewis & Co.; Jonas Smith, Pierson, Washington, J. Smith.

Arrived.

U. S. steam transport *Arago*, Henry A. Gedden commanding, Hilton Head, S. C., at 5 P. M., 8th inst., with mails, passengers and Government stores to U. S. Assistant Quartermaster.

Steamer Pelican, Baker, Providence, with mdse. to E. Bryanes.

Steamer Franklin, Young, Baltimore, with mdse. to Wm. Dalzell.

Steamer Lantaca, Chassinder, Baltimore, with mdse. to Wm. Dalzell.

Ship Ocean Ranger, Averill, Havana, Jan. 31, with sugar to H. D. Brockman & Co.

Ship J. Prescott Grant, Gilmore 26 ds., with mdse. to Wm. Alfred Nelson.

Bark Samuel Churchman, Curtis, Miramas, St. Domingo, 18 ds., with logwood and coffee to H. Murray, Jr. (Is anchored below.)

Bark Hannah Brigham, Tarr, New-Orleans 16 ds., with sugar and molasses to E. H. Brigham.

Bark Gyla, (Norw.) Eriksen, Malaga 33 ds., Gibraltar 22 ds., with fruit, &c., to order. Feb. 2, lat. 31, lon. 71 50, spoke Br. schr. Ellen, bound E.

Bark Mustang, Wesselhoeft, Newbern, N. C., 7 ds., in ballast, to Heye Bros.

Bark W. J. Colcord, (of Boston,) Colcord, Havana Jan. 3, with sugar to Walsh, Carver & Chase. Had in co. with ship Ocean Ranger, for New-York.

Brig Emma, (Sardin.) Sanguinetti, Cuba, Jan. 27, with molasses to Stephenson & Co.

Bark Henry Hill, Merrill, Rio Janeiro Dec. 31, with coffee to master.

Barkentine Maria Sophia, (Hamb.) J. Betts, Cardiff 39 ds., with coal to Kunhardt & Co.

Brig Atlantic, (of New-Haven,) Black, Barbados Jan. 28, with hides to H. Trowbridge's Sons. Left no Am. vessels.

Brig Hope, (Br., of St. Vincent,) Durrant, St. Vincent 16 ds., with sugar and molasses to Middleton & Co.

Brig Kentucky, Carver, Buenos Ayres, with hides and wool to Walsh, Carver & Chase. Vessels left before sailed.

Brig Lincoln, (Dan.) Spleson, Augustus, Jan. 17, with hides to Flint & Theland.

Schr. Matilda, (Br., of Gibraltar,) West, Rio Grande 26 ds., with hides to Joseph Banta. Had calm weather most of the passage.

WIND—Sunset, E.N.E., with rain.

Below.

Bark Henry Hill, from Rio Janeiro 42 ds.
Also 3 barks, 4 brigs and a topsail schooner.

Sailed.

Steamship Australasian, (Br.)
Ships Energy, Westfield, (Br.) John N. Parks, Marsh; Barry Ambrosine, Nunez, Rio, (Portu.) Thorson, and anchored, Magdalena, Sumson, (Portu.) Voyager, Edmond.

Miscellaneous.

The pilot-boat James Avery, arrived last evening, reports the steamship Ellis Worley, sunk by collision with the North Star, in 13 fathoms water; the James Avery brought up a passenger's trunk and the foretopsail.

The brig Alice, (Br.) ashore at Canton's Inlet, lies high and dry on the beach. Her cargo is landing in good order and being reshipped. The vessel will probably be a total loss, as she lies so high up on the beach.

The boat from the eastward via Long Island Sound, arrived at the usual hour.

The new steamers Neptune and Gladiator, intended to ply between Boston and New-York via Sandy Hook, have been successfully launched from the foot of 10th-st., East River.

Capt. Borden, of schr. Warren A. Griffin, from Sombrero Island, arr. to-day, reports the islanders at that Island in a state of mutiny, refusing to work at loading the guano in port.

CAPETOWN, C. G. H., Dec. 5.—The ship Ella E. Badger, Healy, from Kangoon for Cork for orders, has put in leaky; she will lighten 150 to 200 tons, and if possible, a steam-pump will be put on board, and she will proceed; the leak is below the water line.

By Telegraph.

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